YouLead Summit 2023

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About YouLead Summit

YouLead Summit is Africa's largest and most diverse forum that brings together government, private sector and other stakeholders to craft responses to the region's rapidly growing youth population, their challenges and opportunities within the EAC region.

The summit is jointly organized annually by the East African Community Secretariat, Training Centre for Development Cooperation and other partners in line with the provisions of the EAC Youth Policy (2016) priority 14 which mandates the EAC Secretariat to build networks and partnerships to, 'Institute an Annual Youth Leaders' Forum with the EAC Secretary General as a regional platform for youth engagement withthe EAC leadership and ensuring their inclusion in the regional integration agenda.

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Day 1

Monday 20 November, 2023

Youth in Politics

Convened by His Excellency, Dr. Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete, former President of United Republic of Tanzania and Patron of YouLead and Hon. Dr. Peter Mathuki, EAC Secretary General Co-Hosted with the African Peer Review Mechanism Secretariat

08.00 - 09.00	**Registration of delegates and partners**
09.00 - 09.15	**Welcome Remarks by organisers** Ms. Stella Agara, YouLead Summit Director Ms. Makena Mwobobia, Executive Director, MS-Training Centre for Development Cooperation Mr. David Onen, Principal Political Affairs Officer, East African Community
09.15 - 10.45	**Under 40 Political Leaders Forum** *Young Political Leaders debate on **"If you sat where they (the leaders) sit"** - inspired by the joint YouLead/APRM Youth Toolkit Roundtable for National Youth Council Representatives and Young Parliamentarians.* Hon. Benard Odoi Onen Mutusa, Member of Parliament, Uganda Ms. Margaret Kiogora, Ag. Chief Executive Officer, National Youth Council of Kenya Mr. Jacob Eyeru, Chairperson, National Youth Council of Uganda Mr. Claude Mbuyi, Executive Secretary, National Youth Council of the Democratic Republic of Congo Dr. Thierry Ingabire, President, National Youth Council of Burundi HRH Prince Siphila Dlamini, President, South African Youth Business Council Hon. Lethukuthula Nsibande, Executive Deputy Secretary, South African Youth Business Council Mr. Gola Boyoi Gola, Chairman, National Youth Union of South Sudan (virtual) **Petition from the EAC Youth Fellows** Moderator: Mr. Lennon Monyae, Governance & Youth Liaison Officer, African Peer Review Mechanism
10.45 - 11.15	**Health Break and Tea**

11.15 - 12.00	**Youth Dialogue on Social Accountability** Hosted by Uraia. Dialogue with youth on social accountability. Sharing of Uraia's experience and engaging young people in governance and development work. Mr. Bovil Roy, M&D Officer Integrator Development Facility, Uraia Network Mr. John Kamande, Civic Education Officer, Uraia Network
12.00 - 13.00	**SDG Course** *Co-hosted by EAC Secretariat, MS-Training Centre for Development Cooperation, Danida Fellowship Centre, Beyond 2030 Secretariat, EAC Youth Ambassadors Platform and the Embassy of Denmark Kenya Youth Sounding Board.* Mr. Edgar Mutungisa, East African Community Youth Ambassadors Platform Ms. Lys Esther Karikumutima, East African Community Youth Ambassadors Platform Mr. Julius Emmanuel Muhindi, East African Community Youth Ambassadors Platform Ms. Sarah Mutagoma, East African Community Youth Ambassadors Platform Ms. Rina Lauritzen, Beyond 2030 Ms. Florence Syevuo, Country Coordinator, SDGs Kenya Forum *Moderator: Ms Cecilie Rude, Capacity Development Advisor, Danida Fellowship Centre*
13:00 - 14.00	**Lunch Break**
14.00 - 17:00	**Presidential Address** *Convened by His Excellency Dr. Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete, former President of the United Republic of Tanzania and YouLead Patron.* *Entertainment - Bomas of Kenya dancers* *Remarks from:* • Dr. Irene Isaka, Director Social Sectors, East African Community • H.E. Didier Chassot, Ambassador of Switzerland to Tanzania and EAC • Prof. Eddy Maloka, CEO, African Peer Review Mechanism Secretariat • H.E. Wamkele Mene, AfCFTA Secretary General (virtual remarks) • H.E Dr. Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete, former President of United Republic of Tanzania and Patron of YouLead *Entertainment - EAC Youth Fellows* Graduation First Cohort of EAC Youth Fellowship *Co-hosted by EAC Secretariat, MS-Training Centre for Development Cooperation, Danida Fellowship Centre and Embassy of Switzerland to Tanzania and EAC* • Ms .Makena Mwobobia, Executive Director of MS-Training Centre for Development Cooperation • Delivery of certificates and photo session with EAC Youth Fellows Keynote addresses: • Keynote address and official opening of the Summit by H.E William Samoei Ruto, President of the Republic of Kenya *Moderator: Ms Stella Agara, YouLead Summit Director and Program Coordinator, MS-TCDC/DFC Partnership*

Day 2

Tuesday 21 November, 2023

Youth in Business, Trade and Enterprise Actors, not Spectators: How can African Young Innovators make the AfCFTA Magic Happen through the AfCFTA Protocol on Women and Youth

Convened by His Excellency President Kikwete, former President of United Republic of Tanzania and Patron of YouLead and Hon. Dr. Peter Mathuki, EAC Secretary General
Co-Hosted with AfCFTA Secretariat and Agra

09.00 - 09.30	**Welcome Remarks by organisers**
	Ms. Stella Agara, Summit Director and Program Coordinator, MS-TCDC/DFC Ms. Makena Mwobobia, Executive Director, MS-Training Centre for Development Cooperation
09.30 - 10.45	**Under 40 Business Leaders Forum** *The African Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA): Youth Business Leaders sharing experiences of cross-border trade efforts (successes and challenges), and defining how best the legal instruments, policy and Institutional frameworks can be more enabling for youthled cross border trade and regional enterprise to be fully attained* *Inspired by AfCFTA Secretariat's work in enabling a conducive environment for women and youth in participating in AfCFTA processes* **Presentation on AfCFTA and updates on the Protocol on Women and Youth** • Ms. Gonaya Money E. Sethora, Women and Youth in Trade Expert, AfCFTA Secretariat **Keynote Address on Future of Work and the role of Innovation and Technology in achieving the Implementation of AfCFTA** • Mr. Kwame A.A. Opuku, Global Speaker & Innovation Consultant
10.45 - 11.15	**Health Break and Tea**
11.15 - 13.00	**Panel Discussion on AfCFTA and the role of youth and innovation in accelerating its implementation** • Mr. Nicky Abayo, African Representative, Eshet Eilon Industries Limited • Mr. Antony Malovi, Vice-Chair, Youth in Business, National Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Kenya • Mr. Isaac Gokah, Specialist RFT & Resilience - AGRA • Mr. Kwame A.A. Opuku, Global Speaker & Innovation Consultant • Mr. Joram Mwinamo, CEO SandBox International • Ms. Brenda Asasira, Bris Agro Safaris (u) Limited

13.00-14.00	**Lunch Break**
14.00 - 17.00	**Youth Enterprise Awards** *Presentation and recognition of youth-led businesses in 1) innovative ideas requiring startup capital; 2) existing businesses requiring scale-up capital.* • Mr Alfred Opio, Founder & CEO, Kaino Africa and EAC Youth Fellows Business Cohort *Moderator: Mr Kwame A.A. Opuku, Global Speaker & Innovation Consultant and Panel of Judges*

Day 3

Wednesday 22 November 2023

Youth in Peace and Security
Nairobi Debates - Gender Equality Forum

Convened by His Excellency President Kikwete, former President of United Republic of Tanzania and Patron of YouLead and Hon. Dr. Peter Mathuki, EAC Secretary General
Co-Hosted with Plan International, African Union Office of the Youth Envoy and Danida Fellowship Centre

09.00 - 09.30	**Welcome Remarks by organisers**
	Ms. Stella Agara, Summit Director and Program Coordinator, MS-TCDC/DFC Ms. Makena Mwobobia, Executive Director, MS-Training Centre for Development Cooperation
09.30 - 10.45	**Under 40 Peace and Security Forum** *Co-Hosted with the East African Youth Peace Network Steering Committee* • Dr. Samuel Olamide, Track II Diplomat in Arms Control and International Security • Mr. Steven Malaki, Member of the Steering Committee of the East African Youth Peace Network • Ms. Mahlet Sebsibe, Lead(H)er Fellow 2023 *Moderator:* Mr. Robert Muhangi, Board Member, Recreation for Development and Peace Uganda
10.45 - 11.15	**Health Break and Tea**
11.15 - 13.00	**Session on Alternative Climate Solutions and Addressing Targeted Climate Finance towards Youth Driven Local Solutions** • Ms. Mercy Gichengi, Programme Coordinator, Youth and Governance, ActionAid Kenya • Mr. Emmanuel Dennis Ngongo, Senior Manager: Policy and Partnership, Evidence Action, East & Southern Africa - Swedish Institute for Public Administration • Mr. Julius Muhindi, East African Community Youth Ambassadors Platform • Ms. Charlene Ruto, Founder and Executive Director, Charlene Ruto Foundation • Mr. Jabril Ibrahim, African Youth Conference on Climate Change • Ms. Eunice Anyango Oyule, Young Women Representative, National Women Steering Committee *Moderator: Dr. Re'em Syeda Hussain, Program Director, Afresist*

13:00 - 14.00	**Lunch Break**
14.00 - 16.00	**Gender Equality Forum - Nairobi Debates** *Co-hosted with Plan International, the African Union Office of the Youth Envoy and Danida Fellowship Centre* **Welcome Remarks:** *Mr. Samuel Musyoki, Regional Programme and Influencing Director, Plan International* **Keynote Remarks:** *H.E. Chipo Cleopatra Mpemba, African Union Office of the Youth Envoy (video)* **Nairobi Debates:** *Dialogue on tracking the implementation of the Action Coalitions Commitments (gender-based violence, economic justice and rights, and peace and security), and the contribution from researchers.* • Dr. Samuel Olamide, Track II Diplomat in Arms Control and International Security • Dr. Agatha Alidri, PhD, Lecturer, Gulu University, Uganda • Dr. Re'em Syeda Hussain, Programs Director, Afresist • Dr. Suzan Mlangwa, Sociologist, St August University, Tanzania (virtual) • Mr. Charles Nyukuri, Regional Policy Advocacy and Research Advisory, Plan International • Mr. Anton Ingstedt, Youth, Peace and Security Consultant, Peacekeeping Training Programme Unit, Division for Peace - United Nations Institute for Training and • Research (UNITAR) • Ms. Hlenga Siyongwana, Lead(H)er Fellowship Coordinator • Ms. Mahlet Sebsibe, Lead(H)er Fellow 2023 • Ms. Eunice Anyango Oyule, Young Women Representative, National Women Steering Committee *Moderator: Ms Chipo Muchabaiwa, Regional Youth Engagement Specialist, Plan International*
16.00 - 17:00	**Lead(H)er Fellowship - Graduation of the II Cohort** *Co-convened by EAC Secretariat, Office of the African Union Youth Envoy, MS Training Centre for Development Cooperation and Plan International*

Day 4

Thursday 23 November 2023

Post-Summit Agenda

09.00 - 09.15	**Welcome Remarks by organisers**
	Ms. Stella Agara, Summit Director and Program Coordinator, MS-TCDC/DFC
09.30 - 10.45	**Session I - Development of the Post Summit-Agenda** *Moderator: Ms Stella Agara, Summit Director and Program Coordinator, MS-TCDC/DFC*
10.45 - 11.15	**Health Break and Tea**
11.15 - 13.00	**Session II - Development of the Post-Summit Agenda** *Moderator: Ms Stella Agara, Summit Director and Program Coordinator, MS-TCDC/DFC*
13.00 - 14.00	**Lunch Break**
	Presentation of the Post-Summit Agenda and Interventions *Moderator: Ms Stella Agara, Summit Director and Program Coordinator, MS-TCDC/DFC*

Day 5

Friday 24 November 2023

Development Partners Roundtable Networking/Side-Events

Convened by His Excellency President Kikwete, former President of United Republic of Tanzania and Patron of YouLead and Hon. Dr. Peter Mathuki, EAC Secretary General
Co-Hosted with Plan International, African Union Office of the Youth Envoy and Danida Fellowship Centre

09.00 - 09.15	**Welcome Remarks by organisers**
	Ms. Stella Agara, Summit Director and Program Coordinator, MS-TCDC/DFC
09.15 - 11.00	**Policy Makers & Development Partners Roundtable** Policy Makers and Development Partners Roundtable on: Re-imagining the role of policy makers and development partners in creating an enabling environment for Young People's Participation in achieving the Africa we Want through inclusive and meaningful capacity building. *With contribution from:* • Embassy of Denmark in Kenya • Embassy of Italy in Kenya • Embassy of France in Kenya • Embassy of the United States of America in Kenya • Embassy of Germany in Kenya • Embassy of Qatar in Kenya • Embassy of the United Arab Emirates in Kenya • Embassy of Canada in Kenya • Embassy of Austria in Kenya • Embassy of Australia in Kenya • Embassy of Egypt in Kenya • Embassy of South Africa in Kenya • Embassy of Botswana in Kenya • Embassy of Nigeria in Kenya • Embassy of South Sudan in Kenya • Embassy of Burundi in Kenya • Embassy of Rwanda in Kenya • Embassy of Uganda in Kenya • Embassy of Democratic Republic of Congo in Kenya • Embassy of the United Republic of Tanzania in Kenya • Embassy of Switzerland in Kenya

	• Embassy of Saudi Arabia in Kenya • British High Commission in Nairobi • Embassy of Japan in Kenya • Embassy of People's Republic of China in Kenya • Embassy of South Korea in Kenya • United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) • United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) • United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) • UN Women • United Nations Environment Programme • Oxfam • World Vision • Commonwealth Secretariat • The International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES) • Electoral Law and Governance Institute of Africa • Mastercard Foundation • Meta • Kenya Private Sector Alliance • Cabinet Secretary, Foreign Affairs and Diaspora Affairs, Kenya • Cabinet Secretary, EAC and Northern Corridor, Kenya • Cabinet Secretary, Youth Affairs, Sports and the Arts, Kenya
10.45 - 11.15	**Health Break and Tea**
11.15 - 13.30	**Networking & Side-Events**
13.30 - 14.30	**Lunch & End of YouLead Summit 2023**