





AGENDA
APPN FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ENHANCING SUSTAINABLE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT FOR AFRICA'S ECONOMIC
RESILIENCE
KIGALI, RWANDA, NOVEMBER 12 TO 14, 2024

DAY 1 – NOVEMBER 12 - INAUGURATION SESSION, THEMATIC KEYNOTE SPEECH AND PANEL DISCUSSIONS

Time	Subject	Resource Persons
08:00-09:00	Registration	Host
09:00-09:10	Welcoming and Opening Remarks	Ms. Joyeuse UWINGENEYE, the APPN Chairperson
09:10–09:55	Keynote Speech: Innovative Strategies for Sustainable Procurement: Building Resilient and Inclusive Economies in Africa	Moderator: Mr. Ishtiak Siddique Lead Procurement Specialist, the World Bank Speaker: Ms. Yolanda Saito, Founder and Chief Operating Officer, IMPACTI Q&A
09:55-11:15	Panel Discussion: Strengthening Local Supply Chains: Focus on building and supporting local supply chains to reduce dependency on imports, boost local economies, enhance resilience to global supply chain disruptions (promoting local production, enhancing sustainable and circular procurement, investing in infrastructure, and developing capacity-building programs for local businesses, including supporting SMEs and women-owned businesses)	Moderator: Mr. Alassane Ba, APPN Vice President Speaker (20 minutes): Mr. Sanjay Kumar, Founder and Managing Director, NeXgen, India Panelists (5 minutes each): <u>Angola</u> Mr. Osvaldo Tomé Dos Santos Ngoloimwe <u>Rwanda</u>

		<p>Mr. Tony Nsanganira Deputy Country Director & Partnerships Lead, Tony Blair Institute for Global Change</p> <p>Ms. Joy RWAMWENGE, Chief Executive Officer, New Faces New Voices Rwanda</p> <p>Ms. Carey Kluttz, Director, Open Contracting Partnership</p> <p>Q&A</p>
11:15-11:45	Coffee Break	
11:45-13:00	<p>Panel Discussion: Promoting Green and Ethical Procurement: From Theory to Practice. Focus on: Developing and Implementing procurement policies that prioritize environmentally friendly and ethically sourced products and services.</p>	<p>Moderator: Mr. Ashraf AYAD, Procurement Manager-East, Southern Africa and Nigeria, AfDB</p> <p>Speaker (20 minutes): Mr. Alastair Merrill, Merrill Solutions, UK</p> <p>Panelists: (5 minutes each)</p> <p><u>Nigeria</u> Mr. Olusegun Omotola</p> <p><u>Mauritania</u> Ms. Khadija Bouka</p> <p><u>Rwanda</u> Ms. Juliet Kabera, Director General, Rwanda Environmental Management Authority (REMA)</p> <p>Mr. Sanjay Kumar, NeXgen</p>

		Ms. Yolanda Saito Q &A
13:00-14:00	LUNCH BREAK	
	OPENING SESSION	
14:00-14:05	Welcome Speech by President of the African Public Procurement Network	Ms. UWINGENEYE Joyeuse, The APPN Chairperson
14:05-14:30	Opening Remarks by Sponsors	Mr. Elhadj Sumare Global Lead Procurement Officer, IsDB GERMOND Arthur Country Director, AFD Ashraf H. Ayad Manager, Procurement East & Southern Africa and Nigeria, AfDB
14:30-14:45	Keynote Speech	Ms. Victoria Kwakwa, Regional Vice President, Eastern and Southern Africa, The World Bank
14:45-15:00	Opening speech By the Guest of Honor	Honorable Minister of Finance and Economic Planning, the Guest of Honor of the Host country-Government of Rwanda  
15:00-15:20	Launching of the Rwanda's Sustainable Public Procurement Policy Framework and Open Contracting Data Standard reporting framework through E-GP system of Rwanda	The Guest of Honor 
15:20-15:40	Group Photo	Guest of Honor and High-level guests 

15.40-16.00	High level guests leave the room	Moderator
16:00-16:30	COFFEE BREAK	
16:30-16:45	Network achievements and challenges since the Third General Assembly in Abidjan in November 2023	Mr. Aftar Touré MOROU, Technical Secretary, APPN
16:45- 17:30	Open discussions by the General Assembly	Mr. Aftar Touré MOROU, Technical Secretary, APPN
18:00-20:00	Welcoming reception	BY HOST COUNTRY
DAY 2 – NOVEMBER 13 - STRENGTHENING PUBLIC PROCUREMENT PRACTICES TO ENHANCE SUSTAINABILITY		
09:00-10:30	Panel Discussion: Leveraging Technology, including AI and Data Analytics for enhancing procurement processes, decision-making, sustainability tracking and reporting	Moderator: Mr. Richard MIGAMBI, CEO Evolve, Rwanda Speaker (20 minutes): Dr. Rajesh Kumar Shakya, IT Experts, WB Panelists: (5 minutes each) <u>Tunisia</u> Mounir Maaroufi <u>South Africa</u> Mr. Tumelo Ntlaba Mr. Farid Yaker Mr. Edwin Muhumuza, Director, Africa, Open Contracting Partnership
10:30-1100	COFFEE BREAK	

<p>11:00-12:30</p>	<p>Panel Discussion: Strengthening capacity of procurement policy/decision makers, professionals and practitioners for enhancing public procurement performance, including sustainable procurement</p>	<p>Moderator: Mr. Farid Yaker, International Consultant, Expertise France/AFD</p> <p>Speakers (15 minutes each):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ms. Rim Zehri, General Controller of Public Procurement, President of ONMP HAICOP, Presidency of the Government 2. Joint Presentation <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Dr. Adebowale A. Adedokun, Director Research, Training and Strategic Planning (RTSP) Department, Bureau of Public Procurement (BPP), Nigeria b. Dr. Joshua Atah, National Coordinator, SPESSE Project, Nigeria <p>Panelists (5 minutes each):</p> <p>Ghana Mr. Frank MANTE</p> <p>Senegal Ms. Poulmery Ba Niang</p> <p>Rwanda Mr. Fred MUZATSINDA, Chairperson of the Association of Procurement Professionals, Rwanda</p> <p>Uganda Mr. Benson Turamy</p> <p>Q&A</p>
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12:30-13:30	LUNCH BREAK	
13:30-14:45	Panel Discussion: MAPS e-GP Framework – Lessons Learned in Africa	Moderator: Elhadj Soumare, IsDB Speakers (15 minutes each): 1. Mr. Nicolas Penagos, Head of MAPS Initiative Secretariat 2. Dr Rajesh Kumar Shakya, WB Panelists: 5 minutes each) (5 minutes each) <u>Rwanda</u> Ms. UWINGENEYE Joyeuse, APPN President and Member of MAPS Steering Committee, Rwanda <u>Gabon</u> Cheryl Bradley DEMBA BICHOUMI <u>Côte d'Ivoire</u> Mr. DELBE Zirignon Constant <u>Tanzania</u> Mr. Dennis Kwame Simba Q&A
Parallel Session 13:30 – 14:45	Capturing the Value: A Regional Approach to Monitoring & Evaluation	Moderator: Ms. Elmas Arisoy, WB Procurement Manager Speakers (20 minutes each) 1. Ms. Amelia Matete, Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting Directorate of Policy, Planning and Resource Mobilization (PPRM) Southern African

		<p>Development Community (SADC)</p> <p>2. Alastair Merrill, Merrill Solutions, UK</p> <p>Panelists</p> <p>Botswana Ms. Tumelo Motsumi</p> <p>Eswatini Mr. Vusumutiwendvodza Matsebula</p> <p>Namibia Mr. Willibarth Haraseb</p> <p>Mr. George Daniel, WB</p> <p>Q&A</p>
14:45 -15:15	COFFEE BREAK	
15:15 -16:30	<p>Governance and Audit of Public Procurement addressing contemporary issues such as Sustainable Public Procurement and Public Finance Management among others.</p>	<p>Moderator: Mr. Aftar Touré MOROU, APPN Technical Secretary</p> <p>Speaker (20 minutes): Mr. Lukasz Matusiak, Supreme Audit Office (NIK), Poland</p> <p>Panelists: (5 minutes each)</p> <p><u>Rwanda</u> Mr. Patrick HABIMANA, Deputy Auditor General, Rwanda</p> <p><u>Kenya</u> Ms. Opiyo Pauline</p> <p><u>Niger</u> Ms. Rakiatou Issaka IDE</p> <p><u>Tunisia</u> Ms. Rim Zehri</p>

		Q&A
16:30 – 16:45	Summary and Conclusions	Mr. Alassane Ba, Vice President of APPN
WORKING GROUPS – CHAIR/MODERATOR: MS. UWINGENEYE JOYEUSE, APPN CHAIR		
16:45 -18:00	<p>THREE WORKING GROUPS Each Group will discuss and formulate five implementable actions on the topics as follows:</p> <p>Group 1 (Francophone Countries): Actions APPN can take to support its Member Countries' efforts in enhancing use of sustainable procurement and in meeting Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).</p> <p>Group 2 (Anglophone Countries). Measures for improving existing procurement practices and introducing innovative approaches to enhance sustainable procurement.</p> <p>Group 3: (Portuguese-speaking Countries): What topics the APPN should include in its Knowledge Creation and Sharing Program 2025</p>	Each Group will select a chair/moderator and a rapporteur.
DAY 3 – NOVEMBER 14 - WORKING GROUPS REPORTING AND APPN ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS		
09:00-10:30	Working Groups Report to Plenary Note: The Technical Secretariat will record the recommendations and convert them into regional action plan.	Working Groups' Rapporteurs
10:30 – 11:00		COFFEE BREAK
11:00 – 12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">) Presentation of technical and financial report, and discussions (Technical Secretary, Technical Secretariat)) Discussion and Resolution of Remaining Issues in the finalization of Articles of Association and internal Regulations (rules of procedures)) Approval of Draft Manuals of Finance and Accounting and Administrative Procedures) Approval of APPN Budget for 2025 	Facilitator: Mr. Aftar Touré MOROU, Technical Secretary, APPN
12:30 – 13:30		LUNCH BREAK

13:30-17:00 Coffee will be available	<ul style="list-style-type: none">) Election and Introduction of new Chair and host for the Fifth General Assembly) Election of Executive Committee Members and Alternate Members for a two-year term). Elected EC members will elect the EC coordinator who will also serve as VP 	Facilitator: Mr. ALASSANE BA, APPN Vice President, and Executive Committee Coordinator
CLOSING CEREMONY		
17:30-18 :30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">) Closing remarks and way forward) Final communique) Expression of thanks) AfDB) WB) IsDB) Meeting with press) Closing speech by host) Speech by new Chairperson of the APPN 	Facilitator: Ms. UWINGENEYE, Joyeuse, Outgoing APPN Chair
19:30- 22:00	GALA DINNER For the Galla Dinner, the guests will wear culture attire to embrace the diversity of cultures in Africa and beyond.	BY HOST COUNTRY
Day 4 – NOVEMBER 15		
LEISURE & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES- CONFERENCE TOURISM DAY		
09 :00- 14:00	TOURISTIC VISIT- Departure from Kigali Convention Center	BY HOST COUNTRY
14:00-16:00	LUNCH with all participants in the touristic visit	BY HOST COUNTRY
16:30	Travelling Back to Kigali	BY HOST COUNTRY