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AU Africa Integration Day

# boma <sup>2023</sup> OF AFRICA

**Saturday, 8th July, 2023**

**5PM EAT / 2PM GMT**

**AU HEADQUARTERS, ADDIS ABABA**

Live on **zoom**

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## Background

It is a tradition of the African Union (AU) to celebrate African Integration during July of every year. The premier event for showcasing the successes achieved so far on the integration journey is the Boma of Africa, which in 2023 will be hosted in hybrid format and streamed from the Headquarters of the African Union Commission (AUC).

## 4D Pact

The emphasis of Boma 2023 is the signing of the 4D Pact ([pact.4DCorridor.org](http://pact.4DCorridor.org)) by leading Pan-African institutions. The 4D Pact is a commitment to work together to promote and resource large-scale platforms and accelerators of the innovations at public and private sector level urgently needed to transform Africa according to Agenda 2063: the Africa we want.

## A New Strategy for Speeding Up Agenda 2063

With technical support from AfroChampions, the AUC will support the inaugural sponsors of the 4D Pact – the Africa Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (Africa CDC), the African Civil Aviation Commission (AFCAC), the AfCFTA Secretariat, the African Union Development Agency – New Partnership for African Development (AUDA-NEPAD), and the Africa Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF) – to mobilise development finance institutions (DFIs), multilateral development agencies, AU Member States, corporations, and other important continental and global stakeholders to ramp up the pace of African integration through Agenda 2063 flagships and related instruments.

### 4D Inaugural Sponsors



## AU Flagships to be Accelerated

Key flagships to be accelerated by the 4D Pact include the Africa Continental Free Trade Agreement (AfCFTA), the Protocol on Free Movement of People (PFMP), the Single African Air Transport Market (SAATM), the Partnerships for African Vaccine Manufacturing (PAVM) and others.

## 4D Instruments

Through the resourcing and promotion mechanisms of the 4D Initiative ([www.4DCorridor.org](http://www.4DCorridor.org)), platforms and accelerators like BioNovac, the AfCFTA Hub, ProPer, the African Public Health Wallet (PanaBIOS-Trusted Health), and the Green Economy Transforma, will be scaled up into an marketplace-ecosystem of innovation through which resources and support can be channeled by DFIs, Social Venture Funds and development agencies.

Beneficiaries of the initiative will include startups, SMEs, university spinoffs and commercialization offices, and national investment promotion and small business support agencies.

### Concrete outcomes over the next seven years include:

- Growing evidence of biotech value chain activities on the continent leading to more advanced biomedical, vaccine, biopharmaceutical, e-genomics and biosecurity outputs from African based entities with a material impact on jobs, skills, knowledge creation, and well-being.
- Enhanced mobility of businesses and skilled professionals across Africa in the pursuit of richer opportunities.
- Reduction in the prevalence of energy poverty on the continent through a more strategic use of climate-smart finance for transitional energy infrastructure.

## To Register

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## Inaugural Sankore Lecture

Another highlight of this year's Boma is the inaugural Sankore Lecture which shall be delivered by Tidjane Thiam, a global financial systems thinker, on the theme:

**“Unlocking the World Market for Africa’s Future.”**



**Tidjane Thiam**

AU Special Envoy  
Inaugural Sankore  
Lecture

Touching on the themes of global competitiveness, capital mobility, and value chains integration, Mr. Thiam will weave a new and powerful narrative of how the continent's strategic enablers can connect and interlock to position Africa in the pole position to benefit from global shifts and transitions, from the ecological to the demographic.

## Master of Ceremonies

Boma 2023 will be expertly moderated by Zain Verjee, former BBC & CNN Journalist & Founder, ZVG



**Zain Verjee**

Former BBC  
& CNN Journalist  
& Founder, ZVG



## Distinguished Hosts



**H.E. Azali Assoumani**  
Chairperson of the African Union



*Host*  
**H.E. Dr. Monique Nsanzabaganwa**  
Deputy Chairperson,  
African Union Commission



*Distinguished Chair of Ceremonies*  
**H.E. Sahle-Work Zewde**  
President of the Federal  
Democratic Republic of Ethiopia



**H.E. Albert Muchanga**  
Commissioner for Economic  
Development, Trade, Tourism,  
Industry and Minerals

## Guests of Honour



**H.E. Nana Akufo-Addo**  
President of Ghana



**H.E. Olusegun Obasanjo**  
4D Life Patron



**H.E. Cyril Ramaphosa**  
President of South Africa



**H.E. Dr. Ameenah Gurib-Fakim**  
Former President of Mauritius



**H.E. Tedros Adhanom  
Ghebreyesus**  
Director-General of the  
World Health Organisation

## 4D PACT SPONSORS



**H.E. Wamkele Mene**  
Secretary General of African  
Continental Free Trade Area  
(AfcFTA)



**H.E. Jean Kaseya**  
Director General, Africa CDC



**H.E. Adefunke Adeyemi**  
Secretary General African  
Civil Aviation Commission  
(AFCAC)



**H.E. Nardos Bekele-Thomas**  
Chief Executive Officer -  
AUDA – NEPAD



**H.E. Mamadou Biteye**  
Executive Secretary African  
Capacity Building Foundation  
(ACBF)



## Sankore Lecturer, 2023



**Tidjane Thiam**  
AU Special Envoy Inaugural  
Sankore Lecture

## 4D Technical Advisor



**Dr. Edem Adzogenu**  
Co-Chair AfroChampions

## 4D Stakeholders



**H.E. Dr. John Nkengasong**  
US Global AIDS Coordinator



**Prof. Senait Fisseha**  
Director of Global Programs,  
Susan Thompson Buffett  
Foundation



**Samaila Zubairu**  
President & CEO, African  
Finance Corporation



**Paulo Gomez**  
Co-Chair AfroChampions



**Sandisiwe Ncemane**  
CEO, PetroSA



**Reeta Roy**  
President, Mastercard  
Foundation



**Prof. Benedict Okey Oramah**  
President African Export  
and Import Bank



**Dr. Sherine Helmy**  
CEO Pharco



**Dr. Sidi Olud Tah**  
Director General BADEA



**Prof. Lise Korsten**  
President African Academy  
of Science



## Program Lineup

Welcome & Scene-Setting: 2pm to 2:45pm GMT

### The African Union Vision:

- H.E. Azali Assoumani, President of the Union of the Comoros & Chairperson of the African Union
- Welcome Remarks: H.E. Dr. Monique Nsanzabaganwa, Deputy Chairperson, African Union Commission
- Opening Address: H.E. Sahle-Work Zewde, President of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia
- Address on African Agency: H.E. Nana Akufo-Addo, AU Champion of Financial Institutions
- Address by H.E Cyril Ramaphosa President, Republic of South Africa
- Remarks on Collective Will & Purpose: H.E. Olusegun Obasanjo
- Remarks on Global Solidarity: H.E. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus
- Video Interlude: 4D
- Signing ceremony for the 4D

### Pact: 2:50pm to 3:30pm GMT

- Remarks by H.E. Wamkele Mene, AfCFTA Secretariat
- Remarks by H.E. Jean Kaseya, Africa CDC
- Remarks by H.E. Nardos Bekele-Thomas, AUDA-NEPAD
- Remarks by H.E. Adefunke Adeyemi, AFCAC
- Remarks by H.E. Mamadou Biteye, ACBF
- Video Interlude: AfCFTA Hub



### 3:35pm: - 3:50pm: Sankore Lecture 2023

- Delivered by Tidjane Thiam, AU Special Envoy & Executive Chair, Freedom Acquisition Corporation
- Remarks by Commissioner Albert Muchanga, AU Commissioner for Economic Development, Trade, Tourism, Industry & Mining
- Video Interlude: Boma 2022 Recap

### Solidarity & Stakeholder Commitments: 4:00pm – 4:30pm

- Prof. Benedict Oramah - President Afreximbank
- H.E. Dr. John Nkengasong, PEPFAR Coordinator & US Special Representative for Health Diplomacy
- Reeta Roy, President & CEO, Mastercard Foundation
- Senait Fisseha, Director of Global Programs, Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation
- Dr. Sidi Ould Tah, Director General, BADEA
- Sandisiwe Ncemane, CEO, PetroSA
- Prof. Lise Korsten President, Africa Academy of Sciences
- Dr. Sherine Helmy CEO, Pharco

### Closing Comments: 4:30pm to 4:40pm

- Paulo Gomes - Co-Chair, AfroChampions
- H.E. Ameenah Gurib-Fakim, Former President of Mauritius

Moderator: Zain Verjee, former BBC & CNN Senior Journalist; Founder, Zain Verjee Group





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