





IGC AFRICA GROWTH FORUM

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 11, 2013

SPEKE RESORT MUNYONYO, KAMPALA

17:00–19:00 Session 1

Public Lecture

Chair: **Dr. Louis Kasekende**, Deputy Governor, Bank of Uganda

Official Opening: **Prof. Emmanuel Tumusiime-Mutebile**, Governor, Bank of

Uganda

Lecture: **Prof. Paul Collier**, Director, IGC "Development Challenges

for Africa"







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THURSDAY DECEMBER 12, 2013

SERENA HOTEL, KAMPALA

07:00–08:00 Arrival of Delegates and Participants

08:00–08:30 Registration

08:30-09:30 Opening Session

Session Chair: Hon. Maria Kiwanuka, Minister of Finance Planning and

Economic Development, Uganda

Keynote Address: Hon. Amama Mbabazi, Prime Minister, Uganda

Opening Remarks: **Prof. Jonathan Leape**, Executive Director, IGC

09:30-11:00 Session 2

Exploiting Africa's Resources: Dangers, Opportunities, and Learning from Success?

Recent mineral and petroleum discoveries are creating new opportunities throughout the region. This, together with China's entrance into the global market, may create new opportunities for sustained growth in Africa. What are prospects of oil and mineral development in selected Africa regions? What are the risks – and how are countries dealing with those? What can Africa learn from successful country experiences?

Session Chair: Hon. Maria Kiwanuka, Minister of Finance, Uganda

Presenters: **Prof. Tony Venables**, Oxford University "Options for

Ensuring Oil-Led Growth"

Dr. Keith Jefferis, Econsult Botswana "Lessons from Botswana's Experience in Transforming Resource Wealth

into Sustainable Development"

Dr. Marcelo Giugale, Director, Economic Policy and Poverty Reduction Programs, The World Bank "Linking

People to their Natural Resources"

Discussants: Hon. Elizabeth James Bol, Deputy Minister, Ministry of

Petroleum, Mining, Industry and Environment, South

Sudan





Dr. Joseph Asenso, Ministry of Finance, Team Leader, Energy, Oil and Gas Unit, Ghana

11:00–11.30 *Tea/Coffee Break*

11:30-13:00 Session 3

State capabilities: Improving the Macroeconomic Underpinnings of Public Investment

Financing public investment to restore and expand infrastructure capital is a central challenge across Africa, with a number of countries having already issued Eurobonds and other non-concessional debt instruments. This session examines the fiscal and monetary challenges associated with efforts to raise public investment.

Session Chair: Dr. Louis Kasekende, Deputy Governor, Bank of Uganda

Presenters: **Prof. Christopher Adam & Prof. David Bevan**, Oxford

University "Public Investment, Public Finance, and Growth: The impact of distortionary taxation, recurrent costs, and

incomplete appropriability"

Discussants: **Dr. Michael Gondwe**, Governor of the Bank of Zambia

Hon. Mary Yak, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Finance,

South Sudan

Mr. Fred Muhumuza, Economic Advisor, Ministry of

Finance, Uganda*

13:00–14:00 *Lunch Break*

14:00-15:00 Session 4

Ideas for Growth: Trade Dynamics

Trade has historically been, and continues to be, a driving force behind growth in many developed and developing countries. There are also many other countries that do still lag behind in growing their volumes of international and intraregional trade. What are the potential benefits of actively promoting such trade and, importantly, how do we go about doing so?

Session Chair: Amb. Arsene Balihuta, Senior Presidential Advisor, Office

of the President, Uganda*

Presenters: **Prof. Eric Verhoogen**, Columbia University "Using Trade to

Promote Growth: Lessons"





Prof. Jaime de Melo, FERDI and University of Geneva

"Getting the most out of Regional Integration: Lessons from

IGC Countries"

Discussants: Mr. Zephanie Niyonkuru, Ag. Head of Planning Division,

Rwanda Development Board

Mr. Adam Gahhu, Policy Analyst, Tanzania Private Sector

Foundation*

15:00–15:30 *Tea/Coffee Break*

15:30–17:30 Session 5

Farm Capabilities: Raising Productivity in Rural Areas

Sustaining the productivity growth in agriculture that has been a cornerstone of recent strong African performance will not be automatic. What are the policy priorities for raising agricultural productivity? How can governments speed up agricultural diversification so as to offset the impacts of deteriorating commodity prices? What are the priorities for food security?

Session Chair: Hon. Tress Bucyanayandi, Minister of Agriculture, Animal

Industry & Fisheries, Uganda

Presenters: **Prof. Jakob Svensson**, University of Stockholm "Lessons

from Recent Research"

Dr. Alemayehu Seyoum Taffesse, IGC & IFPRI "Rainfall Insurance and Agriculture: The Ethiopian Experience"

Prof. Carlos Guanziroli, University Federal Fluminense "Increasing Agricultural Production and Productivity in

Mozambique"

Dr. Felix Masyie, University of Zambia "Seasonal Credit Constraints and Agricultural Labor Supply: Evidence from

Zambia"

Discussants: **Hon. J. Sam Sesay**, Minister of Agriculture, Sierra Leone*

Amb. George Kayonga, Director General, National Agricultural Export Development Board, Rwanda







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FRIDAY DECEMBER 13, 2013

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09:00-10:30 Session 6

Ideas for Growth: Firm Capabilities in Industry and Trade

In Africa, industry has been slow to take off, and in only a few countries has been a driver of growth. As has been observed in other regions, industrial development and the development of a thriving export sector does, however, have the potential to prove transformative. This session explores the underlying causes of this lagging development.

Session Chair: Mr. Keith Muhakanizi, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of

Finance and Economic Development, Uganda

Presenters: **Prof. John Sutton**, London School of Economics

"Industrial Development in Sub-Saharan Africa: Challenges

and Prospects"

Discussants: Ms. Elli Palangyo, Assistant Director, Ministry of Industry

and Trade, Tanzania

Mrs. Diana Afriyie Addo, Deputy Chief Industrial

Promotion Office, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Ghana

10:30–11.00 *Tea/Coffee Break*

11:00-12:30 Session 7

Firm Capabilities in Industry

As development assistance retrenches, the role of exports and efficient imports becomes more important. Yet many countries remain dependent on agricultural and raw material exports. Going forward, it is apparent that Firms and Industry will have to take the lead in ensuring continued growth throughout much of Africa. What can be learned from the many country experiences about ways to use industry production and export in to propel growth?

Session Chair: **Dr. Richard Newfarmer**, Country Director, IGC

Presenters: **Dr. John Page**, Brookings Institution "Africa: Learning to

Compete"

Prof. Pedro Vicente, Universidade Nova de Lisboa "Recents Developments for Research on Mobile Banking with Special

Attention to Microenterprise Development"





Prof. Rocco MacChiavello, University of Warwick

Discussants: Mrs. Augusta Maita Pechisso, Deputy Director,

Department of Studies and Policy Analysis, Ministry of

Planning and Development, Mozambique

Dr. Frank Sebbowa, Executive Director, Uganda

Investment Authority

12:30–13:30 *Lunch Break*

13:30–15:00 Session 8

State Capabilities: Transforming the Public Sector

Raising the productivity of workers in an expanding labor force will be a major determinant of whether Africa can increase and sustain high growth rates. This session asks: How can governments raise notoriously low productivity rates of public services delivery, particularly in education and health? What mechanism can be adopted to revamp institutional incentives to improve service delivery, perhaps including creating a larger role for the private sector in monitoring and providing services? What new programmes – such as pay and hiring incentives – hold the potential to be scaled up in other countries to help meet the challenge?

Session Chair: **Dr. Ibrahim Stevens**, Country Programme Director, IGC

Presenters: **Prof. Oriana Bandiera**, London School of Economics

"Breaking Down Public Sector Motivation: An Overview"

Mr. Daniel Rogger, University College London "Improving

Quality of Services: Ideas from Nigeria, Uganda and

Elsewhere"

Prof. Andrew Zeitlin, Georgetown University "Improving

teacher attendance using locally managed monitoring

schemes"

Discussants: Hon. Khalipha Bility, Deputy Minister for Planning,

Ministry of Education, Liberia

Mr. Bernard Kamphasa, Permanent Secretary, Cabinet

Office, Zambia

Prof. Patrick Muzaale, Chairperson, Public Service

Commission, Uganda





15:00-16:00

Session 9

Ideas for Growth: A Conversation on Effective Governance

This session brings together a panel of policymakers to discuss the importance of and the challenges to achieving responsible and effective governance. Effective governance consists of many differing facets and, given the continued development of many nations on the African continent, the importance of this effective governance in Africa is only increasing. In order to sustain its hopes of continued economic development, the various governments in Africa will be expected to maintain macroeconomic stability, utilize the massive resource rents on the continent effectively and responsibly, suppress corruption and conflict, and grow and diversify production, among countless other elements. Effective state governance will be integral to this, but how are these practices prioritized, established, and maintained?

Session Chair: **Prof. Paul Collier**, Director, IGC

Discussants: Mr. Thomas Doe Nah, Executive Director, Centre for

Transparency and Accountability, Liberia

Mr. George Bamugemereirwe, Deputy Inspector General of

Government, Uganda

Dr. Felicien Usengumukiza, Deputy CEO, Rwanda

Governance Board

16:00–16:30 *Tea/Coffee Break*

16:30-18:00

Session 10

Ideas for Growth: Priorities for Further Country/IGC Research?

This session provides policymakers with the opportunity to raise policy problems and questions that merit new policy studies and research. What are the salient policy questions that need further investigation? How can the IGC better partner with client countries to produce useful research and studies that can inform policy?

Chair: Prof. Jonathan Leape, Executive Director, IGC

Participants: Dr. Louis Kasekende, Mr. Keith Muhakanizi, Hon. Mary

Yak*, Hon. Mabinty Daramy*

18:00-18:30 CLOSING

Closing remarks: **Prof. Paul Collier** and **Dr. Louis Kasekende**