



Ministry of Finance, Planning
& Economic Development

**DRAFT PROGRAMME: ECONOMIC GROWTH FORUM
REPUBLIC OF UGANDA
THEME: ACCELERATING ECONOMIC GROWTH
FOR SHARED PROSPERITY**



**22nd August, 2019
Imperial Royale Hotel, Kampala**

8:00 - 8:30	REGISTRATION – TEA/COFFEE
8:30 - 9:30	<p>PLENARY SESSION: INTRODUCTION TO THE GROWTH FORUM</p> <p>Master of Ceremonies: MoFPED (Jim Mugunga)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome and Opening Remarks, including reflections from last EGF (Prime Minister) – 15 minutes• The new global environment: Implications for Uganda's Growth (Richard Newfarmer, CD IGC Uganda) – 15 minutes• Evaluation of Uganda's recent growth performance: What are drivers, barriers and future strategies for inclusive economic Growth? (MoFPED) – 20 minutes

<p>9:30 - 12:00</p>	<p>Parallel session 1: Agriculture and Agro-industrialisation</p> <p>Chair: Victoria Sekitoleko (Chair, Uganda Agribusiness Alliance)</p> <p>Economic Rapporteur: PS, Ministry of Agriculture.</p> <p>3 x 15 min presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance and policy implementation in the agricultural sector. Dr. Patience Rwamigisa (Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries) • Agro-industrialization in Uganda: current status, future prospects and solutions to pressing challenges. Martin Fowler • How to enhance productivity and quality in agriculture to boost exports and growth? Ameet Morjaria <p>Q&A and policy discussion</p>	<p>Parallel session 2: Private and public Investment</p> <p>Chair: Gideon Badagawa (ED, Private Sector Foundation Uganda)</p> <p>Economic Rapporteur: Ag Director General, UIA</p> <p>10 mins: Performance and policy implementation in public investment (MoFPED, Public Investment Unit)</p> <p>2 x 15 min presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the role of tax policy in stimulating local investment and attracting FDI? Nada Eissa • Investment promotion, industrial parks and special economic zones: what is an effective strategy for Uganda? Matthieu Teachout <p>10 mins (each): Responses from Doris Akol, CG URA and Uganda Manufacturing Association (UMA)</p> <p>Q&A and policy discussion</p>	<p>Parallel session 3: Tourism development</p> <p>Chair: Hon. Janat Mukwaya (Minister of Gender, Labour and Social Affairs)</p> <p>Economic Rapporteur: PS, Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities</p> <p>10 mins: Performance and policy implementation in the sector (Uganda Tourism Board)</p> <p>2 x 15 min presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Product development in the Tourism sector: What are existing services and which should be developed further and for which target markets? Wilber Ahebwa • How should government participate in the development of the sector to harness its full potential, apart from providing infrastructure? Boopen Seetanah <p>Q&A and policy discussion</p>
<p>12:00 – 13:00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LUNCH</p>		

<p>13:00 – 15:00</p>	<p>Parallel session 4: Urbanisation as an engine for growth</p> <p>Chair: Professor Pamela Mbabazi (Chair, NPA)</p> <p>Economic Rapporteur: PS, Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development</p> <p>10 mins: Performance and policy implementation in the sector (Rosemary Mukite, Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development/Patrick Musoke, KCCA)</p> <p>3 x 15 min presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Towards the promise of cities that work: Examples of successful reform. Astrid Haas ● Firm clustering in Kampala: how can the capital become a sustained growth centre for Uganda? Julia Bird ● Transforming secondary cities for job creation: a study of Uganda. Miljan Sladoje <p>Q&A and policy discussion</p>	<p>Parallel session 5: Import substitution and export promotion for growth</p> <p>Chair: Dr Louis A. Kasekende (Deputy Governor, Bank of Uganda)</p> <p>Economic Rapporteur: Ag PS, Ministry of Trade and Industry</p> <p>10 mins: Performance and policy implementation in the sector (Jakob Rauschendorfer, IGC)</p> <p>2 x 15 min presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Import substitution and export promotion. Ministry of Finance ● How to operationalize import substitution policy: Improving domestic supplier linkages and the role of search obstacles in Ugandan firm markets. John Spray <p>10 mins: GoU respondent (TBD)</p> <p>Q&A and policy discussion</p>	<p>Parallel session 6: Education and skills for growth</p> <p>Chair: Dr. Ezra Suruma (Head, Prime Minister’s Delivery Unit – OPM)</p> <p>Economic Rapporteur: PS, Ministry Education and Sports</p> <p>10 mins: Performance and policy implementation in the sector (World Bank)</p> <p>2 x 15 min presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Skills miss-match in the labour market: How can educational institutions help to equip the labour force with skills and raise labour productivity? Anna Vitali ● Human capital requirements in a digital economy. World Bank <p>10 mins: Respondent (Victoria Brown Ichuli Consulting, Uganda)</p> <p>Q&A and policy discussion</p>
<p>15:00 – 15:15</p>	<p>TEA/COFFEE BREAK</p>		

<p>15:15 – 17:30</p>	<p>PLENARY SESSION: NEXT STEPS FOR POLICY: FIVE ACTIONABLE POLICIES TO PROMOTE INCLUSIVE GROWTH IN UGANDA</p> <p>Chair: Minister of Finance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Presentation of 5 actionable policies from the parallel sessions for 2019/20 by the Economic Rapporteurs (3-5 minutes each): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Agriculture and Agro-Industrialisation (PS Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries) ○ Private and public Investment (Ag Director General) ○ Tourism development (PS Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife and Antiquities) ○ Urbanisation as an engine for growth (PS Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development) ○ Import substitution and export promotion for growth (Ag PS, Ministry of Trade and Industry) ○ Education and skills for growth (PS Ministry of Education and Sports) ○ Final remarks: PS, Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Development ● Q&A (ca. 30 minutes) ● Final remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ How donors can support the Government in its aims - DFID, on behalf of the Economic Management Group (15 minutes) ○ Ways in which the IGC and academic research can support Uganda’s Growth Objectives - Richard Newfarmer, IGC (10 minutes) ○ Closing Remarks and Vote of Thanks – Minister of Finance)
<p>17:30 - 19:00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">COCKTAIL RECEPTION</p>