



**4<sup>TH</sup> ECONOMIC GROWTH FORUM  
REPUBLIC OF UGANDA**



**Economic Growth Forum IV FY 2021/22  
1<sup>st</sup> September 2020, Serena International Conference Centre, Kampala**

**Programme**

<b>TIME</b>	<b>SESSION</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE</b>
<b>8:00-9:00 am</b>	Registration	Secretariat, MoFPED
<b>9:00-9:30am- OPENING REMARKS</b>		
10 minutes	<i>Opening Remarks from the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development</i>	Keith Muhakanizi (Permanent Secretary/Secretary to the Treasury)
10 minutes	<i>Opening Remarks from International Growth Centre (IGC)</i>	Jonathan Leape (Executive Director)
<b>9:30-10:45am- Session One: Macroeconomic Impact: Global and domestic impact of COVID-19 and future prospects CHAIRPERSON: Hon. Gabriel Ajedra (Minister of State, General Duties)</b>		
15 minutes	<i>The COVID-19 Global Recession and Implications for Developing countries</i>	Matthieu Teachout (IGC)
15 minutes	<i>The prospects for Uganda: Near-term outlook and Prospects for Recovery in 2021</i>	Albert Musisi (Commissioner, Ministry of Finance)
30 minutes	<i>Q&amp;A and Discussion</i>	Joseph Muvawala (Executive Director, National Planning Authority)
<b>10:45-11:00 am</b>	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>	<b>SERENA HOTEL</b>

<b>11:00-12:45pm-Session Two: Social Economic Impact: Impact of COVID-19 on enterprises and households and government's policy response</b> <b>CHAIRPERSON: Ms. Pamela Mbabazi (Chairperson- National Planning Authority)</b>		
15 minutes	<i>Effects of the Crisis on the Poor and Social Protection Measures</i>	Nicole Ntungire (IGC)
15 minutes	<i>Impact of COVID on Micro, Small and Medium Businesses in Uganda</i>	Corti Paul Lakuma (Economic Policy Research Centre)
15 minutes	<i>Uganda's Recovery Program: State of Play, Challenges and Opportunities</i>	Justine Ayebare (Senior Economist, Ministry of Finance)
30 minutes	<i>Q&amp;A and Discussion</i>	Wilbrod Humphreys Owor (Executive Director, Uganda Bankers Association)
<b>12:45-2:00 PM</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	<b>SERENA HOTEL</b>
<b>2:00-3:30pm- Session Three: Medium Term Strategies for the most Affected sectors</b> <b>CHAIRPERSON: Dr. Louis Kasekende</b>		
15 minutes	<i>Export Promotion and import substitution: Opportunities (and Threats) for growth during and after the COVID-19 shock</i>	John Spray (University of Cambridge)
15 minutes	<i>COVID-19 and Uganda's tourism: Policy Interventions to revive and grow the sector.</i>	Wilber Ahebwa (Makerere University)
15 minutes	<i>COVID-19 and its impact on agriculture in Uganda</i>	Martin Fowler (USAID)
30 minutes	<i>Q&amp;A and Discussion</i>	Astrid Haas (Policy Director, IGC)
<b>3:30-4:10pm- Session Four: Summary of Policy Recommendations and Way Forward</b> <b>CHAIRPERSON: Hon. Gabriel Ajedra- Minister of State, General Duties)</b>		
10 minutes	<i>Summary of Sessions: Main Ideas</i>	Elaine Abomwesigwa, (Senior Economist-Ministry of Finance)
10 minutes	<i>Integration of policy proposals in the Budget for FY 2021/22</i>	Kenneth Mugambe, (Director Budget, Ministry of Finance)
10 minutes	<i>Comments from Development Partners</i>	Rosa Malango (UN Resident Coordinator)
<b>4:10-4:30 pm- CLOSING SESSION</b>		
20 minutes	<b>Closing Remarks: Rt. Hon Prime Minister</b>	