

2025 Ibrahim Governance Weekend

Palais des Congrès at the Mövenpick Hotel, Marrakech, Morocco

Sunday, 1 June

Parallel M	eetings	OPEN CLOSED
08:00-09:00	Bretton Woods at 80 (BW80)/Policy Center for the New South (PCNS): Conversation with MIF Now Generation Network (NGN)	Ambassadeurs 🔴
09:00-14:00	MIF Now Generation Network (NGN) 09:00-10:00: Innovators Roundtable 10:30-11:30: Politics and Governance Session 13:00-14:00: NGN Debate	Ambassadeurs 🔴
09:00-10:30	Africa-Europe Foundation (AEF): Co-driving International Tax Cooperation with South Africa's G20 Presidency	Fes 1
09:00-11:30	Global Perspectives Initiative (GPI): The Africa Roundtable No. 8: Green Finance in a New Geopolitical Reality	Fes 2
12:00-13:30	Africa-Europe Foundation (AEF): High-Level Group Meeting	Fes 1
13:30-15:00	Africa-Europe Foundation (AEF): Strategising African-European Investment	Fes 1
14:00-16:00	Women Political Leaders (WPL)/Deutsche Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ): Governing the Future: Women's Leadership at the Frontier of Artificial Intelligence	Fes 2
14:00-17:00	The B Team: B Team Leader Strategy Session	Tidsi 1 🔴
15:00-17:00	The Africa Report Debate: Is the End of the West a Liberation Moment for Africa?	Ambassadeurs •

MIF Leadership Ceremony

19:00-21:30

The event will include key interventions on the current challenges for leadership at both an African and a global level.

Speakers:

- Royal Message from His Majesty King Mohammed VI
- Dr Mo Ibrahim, Founder & Chair, Mo Ibrahim Foundation
- Keynote (video recording) delivered by the late H.E. Horst Köhler, Former President of Germany, MIF Council member, MIF Prize Committee member, at IGW's 10th Anniversary Leadership Ceremony (Marrakech, 2017)
- H.E. Amina J. Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations
- H.E. Louise Mushikiwabo, Secretary General, Organisation internationale de la Francophonie
- Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director-General, World Health Organization
- H.E. Josep Borrell, former High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, European Union, MIF Council member
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Moderated by: Georja Calvin-Smith, International Presenter and Correspondent

21:30-23:00 | Reception

2025 Ibrahim Forum | Financing The Africa We Want

09:00-09:05 | Welcome: Dr Mo Ibrahim, Founder & Chair, Mo Ibrahim Foundation

09:05-09:15 | Opening keynote: *Aid is a thing of the past*, Dr Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Director-General, World Trade Organization

09:15-10:15 | Session 1 – Delivering The Africa We Want: amplifying Africa's priorities

This opening session will lay out Africa's priorities – *The Africa We Want* – such as infrastructure development, regional integration, access to energy for all, digitalisation, adaptation to climate change, universal healthcare and jobs for youth.

Nardos Bekele-Thomas, CEO, African Union Development Agency H.E. Nadia Fettah Alaoui, Minister of Economy and Finance, Kingdom of Morocco Joe Sadallah Lemaron, MIF Now Generation Network member Prof. Carlos Lopes, Professor, Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance at University of Cape Town H.E. Lerato Dorothy Mataboge, Commissioner for Infrastructure and Energy, African Union Prof. Yemi Osinbajo, Immediate Past Vice-President of Nigeria, MIF Council member Moderated by: Larry Madowo, International Correspondent, CNN

10:15-11:00 | Mo *In conversation with...* H.E. Moussa Faki Mahamat, former Chairperson, African Union Commission, MIF Council member

11:00-11:30 | Coffee break

11:30-12:30 | Session 2 – Africa's domestic resources and assets: maximising revenue from within

This session will explore the ways and means available to maximise Africa's domestic resources. These include: drying up capital flight, strengthening tax systems, mobilising remittances, sovereign wealth and pension funds, upgrading local value chains and monetising carbon and biodiversity credits.

Yvonne Ike, Managing Director and Head of Sub-Saharan Africa, Bank of America
Dr David Ndii, Chair, President of Kenya's Council of Economic Advisers
Pascal Saint-Amans, Co-Chair, Africa-Europe Foundation Working Group on Illicit Financial Flows
Dr Vera Songwe, Founder & Chair, Liquidity and Sustainability Facility, MIF Council member
Moderated by: Masood Ahmed, President Emeritus, Center for Global Development, MIF Council member

12:30-14:00 | Lunch

14:00-15:00 | Session 3 – Smarter money: making global finance work for Africa

This session will address the current shortcomings of the multilateral financial system and its expected reboot. It will focus on pending issues such as debt restructuring, SDR reallocation mechanisms, innovative concessional and blended financial tools and risk guarantee mechanisms.

Serge Ekué, President, West African Development Bank Arturo Franco, Director of the Group Strategy Office, World Bank Dr Heike Harmgart, Managing Director for Sub-Saharan Africa, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development Mark Malloch-Brown, former Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations, MIF Council member H.E. Ryad Mezzour, Minister of Industry and Trade, Kingdom of Morocco Samaila Zubairu, President & CEO, Africa Finance Corporation Moderated by: Prof. Ngaire Woods, Dean, Blavatnik School of Government at Oxford University, MIF Council member

15:00-15:30 | Coffee break

15:30-16:30 | Session 4 – Africa's investment pitch: attracting private capital

This session will aim to uncover the mismatch between high returns and limited private investment volume on the continent, outlining both the opportunities and hurdles to overcome – what works, what does not, and how to make Africa a more attractive and predictable investment destination.

Aliko Dangote, Founder, President & CEO, Dangote Group Marie Diron, Managing Director for Sovereign Risk, Moody's Ratings Tarik Senhaji, CEO, Casablanca Stock Exchange Ho Sung Song, President & CEO, Kia Corporation Moderated by: Abdelmalek Alaoui, Founder & CEO, Guepard Group

16:30-17:15 | Mo In conversation with... H.E. David Lammy, Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, United Kingdom

17:15 | Closing

19:30-22:00 | Speakers' Dinner

Tuesday, 3 June

Parallel Meetings

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07:30-09:00	Africa-Europe Foundation (AEF): Women Leaders Network Meeting	Fes 1	•
09:00-10:30	Affinity Africa: The Role of Venture Capital in Africa	Karam 2	
09:00-10:30	Africa No Filter/Africa Practice: Perception vs Reality: The Drivers of Africa's Risk Premium	Karam 3	٠
09:00-11:00	African Philanthropy Forum: From Aid to Agency: Can African Philanthropy Finance Social Development?	Karam 1	•
09:00-10:30	Bridging Ventures: Financing Africa's Future: Accelerating a Just Transition	Karam 4	•
09:30-11:30	SOAS University of London Development Leadership Dialogue (DLD): Scaling Up Sustainable Industrialisation in Africa: Manufacturing and Mobility	Fes 2	٠
09:30-11:00	Africa-Europe Foundation (AEF): High-Level Dialogue on Critical Transition Minerals	Fes 1	•
11:30-13:00	Agricultural Transitions Lab for African Solutions (ATLAS)/Paris Peace Forum/OCP Group: Implementing Africa's Agricultural Transformation for Food and Climate Security	Karam 2	٠
11:30-13:00	African Leadership Institute (AfLI): <i>Africa Jobs Scenarios: Reimagining</i> Work for Africa's Next Generation	Karam 4	٠
11:30-13:00	Moody's Ratings: Behind the Scenes: How Moody's Assigns Sovereign Ratings	Karam 3	•
11:30-13:00	World Bank/The Rockefeller Foundation: <i>Mission 300: Powering</i> Africa's Future – A Transformational Partnership	Fes 1	•
14:00-15:30	The B Team/International Finance Corporation (IFC): How Responsible Tax Practices Can Build Domestic Resources to Finance Development	Fes 1	•
14:00-15:30	Chandler Institute of Governance: <i>Building High Performance</i> <i>Government</i>	Karam 1	٠
14:00-15:30	Club of Rome: African Systemic Prosperity: Building from Strong, Resilient Communities	Karam 3	٠
14:00-15:30	German Institute of Development and Sustainability (IDOS)/European Think Tanks Group (ETTG): <i>Digital Transformation in Africa: Gaps,</i> Goals and Opportunities for Cooperation with Europe	Karam 4	٠
14:00-15:30	Pedro Pires Institute for Leadership: <i>Closing the Leadership Gap:</i> The Untapped Power of Portuguese-Speaking Africa	Karam 2	•
15:00-22:00	Ellen Johnson Sirleaf Presidential Center for Women and Development: Amujae Leadership Forum	Fes 2	•
16:00-17:30	Afrobarometer: Building Sustainable, Home-Grown Data Sources for Africa by Africans	Fes 1	٠
16:00-17:30	Stockholm Initiative for Food Security: Capacity Development and Knowledge Sharing in the Fight Against Nutrition and Food Insecurity in Western Africa	Karam 1	•
16:00-17:30	Paris Peace Forum/Mohammed VI Polytechnic University (UM6P): From Local Insight to Global Impact: African AI Innovation	Karam 3	

Wednesday, 4 June				
09:00-17:00	Ellen Johnson Sirleaf Presidential Center for Women and Development: Amujae Leadership Forum	Fes 2	•	
09:00-16:00	Ibrahim Index of African Governance (IIAG) Expert Panel	Fes 1	٠	