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AFRICAN FORUM FOR UTILITY REGULATORS (AFUR)

20TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND AGA, 5th to 8th MARCH 2024
CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA

THEME: “*OPENING THE PUBLIC SERVICES TO PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPATION – A CHALLENGE TO REGULATION*”

HOSTED BY THE AFUR SECRETARIAT IN COLLABORATION WITH AFRICAN ENERGY WEEK

VENUE: INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTRE, CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA – VENUE 2.4

TUESDAY: 5th MARCH 2024: CONFERENCE DAY ONE (1)

Registration: 08:00 – 09:00: Venue: International Conference Centre, Cape Town

09:00 – 09:45

SESSION 1 - Opening Ceremony

Welcome Remarks: Dr Honoré Tapamo Demenou, Chairman AFUR, Deputy Director General, ARSEL, Cameroon

Keynote Address:

Mr. Callixte KAMBANDA, Division Manager, Policy, Regulation and Statistics, African Development Bank

Ms Rena KUWAHATA, International Energy Agency (IEA)

Program Director and Master of Ceremonies: Mr. James Manda, Technical Manager, African Forum for Utility Regulators (AFUR)

09:45– 10:00

SESSION 2

TITLE: *SETTING THE TONE FOR THE CONFERENCE*

SPEAKER: Mr. James Manda, Technical Manager, African Forum for Utility Regulators (AFUR)

10:00 – 10:45	SESSION 3
TITLE: ANALYSIS OF COMPLIANCE LEVELS IN SELECT PETROLEUM RETAIL STATIONS IN NYANZA REGION, KENYA	
SPEAKER: Dr Fredrick O. Otieno, Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA). Kenya	
10:45 – 11:00	Tea / Coffee Break
11:00 – 11:45	SESSION 4
TITLE: <i>REGULATION OF PORT ACTIVITIES CONCESSIONED IN CAMEROON: A REGULATORY CHALLENGE</i>	
SPEAKER: M. ESSOMBA Serge Patrick, Directeur de la Régulation de la Compétitivité et des Activités Portuaires (APN)	
11:45 – 12:30	SESSION 5
TITLE: <i>The Effects of Climate Change in Water Sector</i>	
SPEAKER: Mrs. Yvonne Magawa, Executive Secretary, Eastern and Southern Africa Water and Sanitation Regulators Association (ESAWAS), Zambia	
12:15 – 13:00	SESSION 6
TITLE: <i>Constructing Africa's Green Economy Requires New Building Blocks</i>	
SPEAKER: Tessa Lee, Kathleen Jean-Pierre, Henry Carr – Cross Boundary Energy	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 14:45	SESSION 7
TITLE: <i>The Roll Out Of The Free Internet Hot Spots Within The City Of Cape Town</i>	
SPEAKER: <i>City of Cape Town</i>	
14:45 – 15:30	SESSION 8
TITLE: <i>Public - Private Partnerships (PPP) in Drinking Water Service Delivery - The case of Ghana Urban Water Sector</i>	
SPEAKER: Ing. Emmanuel Narteh Wayo Fiati, Director-Water Services and Performance Monitoring, Public Utilities Regulatory Commission (PURC), Ghana	

15:30 – 16:15	SESSION 9
TITLE: Increased Private sector Participation in SSA – A Case Study for Uganda, ERA	
SPEAKER: Vinney Mutyaba, Pricing Manager, Electricity Regulatory Authority (ERA)	

16:15 – 17:00	SESSION 10
TITLE: Possible End State of the SA Power Market	
SPEAKER: Welile Mkhize, National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	

17:00	Closure of Day One (1) of the 20 th AFUR Conference
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18:00 – 21:00	Dinner (Venue TBA)

WEDNESDAY, 6TH MARCH 2024 - CONFERENCE DAY TWO (2)
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Registration: 08:00 – 09:00: Venue: International Conference Centre, Cape Town

09:00 – 09:45	SESSION 11
TITLE: Need For Regulatory Framework Review To Facilitate Private Sector Participation In Public Service Provision	
SPEAKER: Elisabeth Nahimana, ESAWAS Regulators Association	

09:45 – 10:30	SESSION 12
TITLE: MAINSTREAMING MINI-GRID TARIFF SETTLEMENT TOOLS AND METHODOLOGIES ACROSS AFRICA REGULATORS PROJECT – LESSON LEARNED	
SPEAKER: Mr. Samuel Bunnya, Project Coordinator, AFUR	

10:30 – 10:45	Tea / Coffee Break
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10:45 – 11:30	SESSION 13
TITLE: DECARBONISATION IN REGULATORS MANDATES	
SPEAKER: Dr Alejandro Hernandez, Regulatory Assistance Project (RAP)	

11:30 – 12:30	SESSION 14
TITLE: Addressing the Regulatory Challenges of Distributed Generation?	
SPEAKER: Bhoomika Twari, GET.transform together with Joel Nana, Sustainable Energy Africa (SEA)	

12:30 – 13:15	SESSION 15
TITLE: Transport Sector – E-Vehicles and challenges to regulators	
SPEAKER: Rwanda Utilities Regulatory Authority (RURA)	

13:15 – 14:15	Lunch
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14:15 – 15:00	SESSION 16
TITLE: The Impact of Deregulation in the Regulated Electricity, Piped-Gas and Petroleum Pipelines Industries to the South African Economy	
SPEAKER: Isaac Mutsawa, NERSA	

15:00 – 16:30	SESSION 17
TITLE: Electricity Interconnection – A View of Africa	
SPEAKER: Ms Rena Kuwahata, International Energy Agency (IEA) and Mirlan Aldayarov, (World Bank)	

16:30 – 17:30	SESSION 18
PANEL DISCUSSION: PRIVATE PARTICIPATION IN REGULATORY PROCESSES	
Moderator: Mr James Manda	
Panellists: AfDB, AUDA-NEPAD, ARSEL, GET.transform, PURC, ERA, COMESA	

17:30	Closure of Day Two (2) of the 20 th AFUR Conference
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THURSDAY, 7th MARCH 2024 – DAY 3 - AFUR 20TH ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY and MoU signing ceremony with GET.transform and COMESA
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Registration: 08:00 – 09:00: Venue: International Conference Centre, Cape Town

09:00 – 12:00	SESSION 19
AFUR 20TH ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY and MoU signing ceremony with GET.transform and COMESA	

12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
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Please note that the Secretariat will email all AGA documents to members, once approved by the Executive Committee. Members must please bring their own copies.

FRIDAY, 8th MARCH 2024 – DAY 4 – SITE VISIT

**A site visit is planned for Friday 8th March – TBA.
Please make sure you wear comfortable clothing and shoes, there will be a lunch included.**

Please Note:

1. **AFUR 20TH ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY** Please find the link below for the hotels and the appointed travel agent who can help the delegates with any requirements that they may need:

<https://energyindaba.co.za/travel-accommodation/>

We recommend Hotel Skye and I see the rate is R1230.00 (across the road from the CTICC – 50m)

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