



## ENGINEERING IN AFRICA CONFERENCE 2023

 September 23, 2023  
 9:00 a.m.  
 Alisa Swiss Spirit Hotel,  
North Ridge, Accra

### DRAFT CONFERENCE PROGRAM

#### Day 1 (Arrivals and Optional Activities): Friday, September 22, 2023

TIME	ACTIVITY
All Day	Arrival in Accra/Ghana and Airport/Bus Terminal Pickups
17:30 – 19:30	<b>Visitation Opportunities to National Monuments and Heritage/Tourist Sites</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paid for visit to the Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park</li><li>• Visit to the Black Star Square</li></ul>
20:00 – 22:30	<b>Dinner and Entertainment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paid for Dinner at the La Palm Royal Beach Hotel</li><li>• Country and highlife live band music at the Gold Coast Restaurant and Cocktail Bar</li></ul>

### THEME

**Building The Africa We Want: A Reflection on the Role of Africa's STEM Professionals in Accelerating Africa's Socioeconomic Transformation**



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### Day 2 (Conference Day): Saturday, September 23, 2023

TIME	ACTIVITY
08:00 – 09:00	<b>Arrival and Registration</b>
09:00 – 09:50	<b>National Anthem of Ghana, Welcome Address and Solidarity Messages</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr. Imoro Abdullai, Executive Director of NSBE Ghana</li><li>• Ing. Prof. Elsie Effah Kaufmann, NSBE Ghana's Advisor; and Dean of the School of Engineering Sciences, University of Ghana.</li><li>• Ms. Janeen Uzzell, CEO of NSBE Global/HQ and HBCU Advisor to the United States Government, at the White House</li><li>• H.E. Abdourahamane Diallo, Head of Mission of UNESCO–Ghana Office</li><li>• Gold Sponsor and Conference Partners</li></ul>
09:55 – 10:10	<b>Coffee and Networking Break</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conference Participants, Guests and Speakers</li></ul>
10:15 – 10:35	<b>First Keynote Address</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Yaw Osei Adutwum, Minister for Education of Ghana</li></ul>
10:40 – 11:00	<b>Second Keynote Address</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ing. Prof. Arthur Mutambara, Director and Full Professor of the Institute for the Future of Knowledge at the University of Johannesburg; and former Deputy Prime Minister of Zimbabwe.</li></ul>
11:05 – 11:15	<b>Video Presentation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• On NSBE Ghana's Community Projects and Impact</li></ul>

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<b>11:20 – 12:50</b>	<p><b>First Plenary Panel Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Topic:</b> “Leveraging Technology, Innovation and Entrepreneurship for Africa's Socioeconomic Transformation”</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Ing. Dr. Lucy Agyepong, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, and Former Associate Dean of Engineering, Academic City University College, Ghana</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ms. Mayeana Kamara, National President of the African American Employee Group (AAEG), and Sales Manager (for the Americas) for Battery Storage at BASF The Battery Company, United States of America.</li><li>• Ing. Prof. Arthur Mutambara, Director and Full Professor of the Institute for the Future of Knowledge, at the University of Johannesburg; and former Deputy Prime Minister of Zimbabwe.</li><li>• Miss Mary Nyaruai, Founder of Nyungu Afrika, Kenya.</li><li>• Mr. Jeromy Adofo, Director of DaakyeTech, Ghana.</li></ul> <p><b>Discussant:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prof. Fred McBagonluri, President &amp; Provost of Academic City University College, Ghana (TBC)</li></ul>
<b>12:55 – 13:55</b>	<p><b>Lunch and Networking Break</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conference Participants, Guests and Speakers</li></ul>
<b>14:00 – 14:10</b>	<p><b>Innovation Design Challenge Project Presentations and Awards</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Finalists of the NSBE Ghana Innovation Design Challenge</li></ul>

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<b>14:15 – 15:45</b>	<b>Second Plenary Panel Discussion</b> <b>Topic:</b> “STEM Education and Professional Development for Africa's Socioeconomic Transformation” <b>Moderator:</b> Ing. Prof. Elsie Effah Kaufmann, Dean of the School of Engineering Sciences, University of Ghana.  <b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Yaw Osei Adutwum, Minister for Education of Ghana.</li><li>• H.E. Abdourahamane Diallo, Representative of UNESCO to Ghana</li><li>• Mr. Jeffery Mawusi Draï, Research Officer and Data Analyst at Springboard Roadshow Foundation, Ghana</li></ul> <b>Discussants:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ing. Prof. Arthur Mutambara, Director and Full Professor of the Institute for the Future of Knowledge at the University of Johannesburg; and former Deputy Prime Minister of Zimbabwe.</li></ul>
<b>15:50 – 16:00</b>	<b>Cultural Troupe Performance</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Edzordzinam Fafali Borborbor Band</li></ul>
<b>16:05 – 16:15</b>	<b>Closing Remarks and National Anthem of Ghana</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Executive Director of NSBE Ghana</li></ul>
<b>16:20 – 18:00</b>	<b>Coffee and Networking Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conference Participants, Guests and Speakers</li></ul>
<b>19:30 – Midnight</b>	Dinner and Entertainment at +233 Bar and Grill, Accra <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paid for Dinner</li><li>• Highlife and Afro-beat live band music</li></ul>

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### Day 3 (Departures and Optional Activities): Sunday, September 24, 2023

TIME	ACTIVITY
All Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Departures: Drop offs to the Airport/Bus Terminals</li><li>• Visits to National Monuments and Heritage Sites in Accra, Elmina, Cape Coast, etc</li></ul>
20:00 –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Paid for Dinner at the Sky Bar, Villaggio, Airport Residential Area, Accra</li><li>• Entertaining night beach activities</li></ul>

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