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HOW DOES AFRICA ENVISION COVID AND ITS AFTERMATH?

Thursday, May 7, 2020
2:00pm – 4:30pm (UTC+2)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

2:00 pm – 2:25 pm

Opening session

Moderator : **Mr Firmin Edouard Matoko**, Assistant-Director General for Priority Africa and External Relations, UNESCO

Keynote Speakers : **Ms Audrey Azoulay**, Director-General, UNESCO
Mr Kwesi Thomas Quartey, Deputy Chairperson, African Union Commission

2:25 pm – 3:00 pm

Introductory remarks

1. Current issues and major challenges of COVID-19 for Africa
 - **Mr Bachir S. Diagne**, Professor at Columbia University, United States
 - **Mr Karim Elaynaoui**, Managing Director of the Policy Center for the New South, Morocco
 - **Ms Isabel Maria Cortesão Casimiro**, Professor at the Center of African Studies, Eduardo Mondlane University, Maputo (Mozambique), Current President of the Council for the Development of Social Sciences Research in Africa (CODESRIA)
 - **Ms Kamina Diallo**, Doctoral student, *Sciences Po Paris*, Center for International Studies (CERI)
2. Lines of thinking for the future
 - **Mr Adebayo Olukoshi**, Director for Africa and West Asia, International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA)
 - **Ms Natalie Sonia Mukundane**, Executive Chairperson of the African Youth Commission
 - **Ms Boitumelo Kgarebe**, Vice President Southern Africa region, African Academy of Sciences, National Institute for Occupational Health, South Africa
 - **Mr Alioune Sall**, Director of the African Futures Institute (AFI)

3:00 pm – 3:50 pm

Debate

3:50 pm – 4:15 pm

Representatives of institutions

- **Mr Mario Pezzini**, Director of the Development Center of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
- **Ms Sandra Coulibaly Leroy**, Assistant-Director for the Division of Monitoring, Analysis and Forecasting of the International Organization of Francophonie (OIF)
- **Mr Hicham El Habti**, Secretary General of the Mohammed VI Polytechnic University, Benguerir, Morocco
- **Mr Mihoub Mezouaghi**, Director of the French Development Agency (AFD) in Morocco, Former member of the Board of Directors of the AFD in Paris
- **Representative from Commonwealth** (TBC)

4:15 pm – 4:30 pm

Summary and conclusions

Platform : Microsoft TEAMS
Languages : French/English (interpretation not provided)

In order to give everyone the opportunity to speak, each intervention will be limited to a maximum of 3 minutes. Invitees will have the opportunity to ask questions via the platform chat. The moderator will try as much as possible to identify the experts who will answer the questions in the chat.