

CONFERENCE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE IN AFRICA

Theme: Probity & Integrity in the Dawn of the Millenium

JOAQUIM CHISSANO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTRE

10 & 11 October 2008

MAPUTO, MOÇAMBIQUE

BACKGROUND

This two days conference which is expected to bring together about 200 to 300 Corporate decision makers and leaders across all sectors in Africa, is aimed at consolidating the already on going debate on Corporate Governance in the continent. Being the first of its kind in Mozambique and Portuguese speaking Africa in general, it will afford the participants a unique opportunity to discuss the concept at broader perspective, including looking the same from different legal backgrounds and their implications to various economies especially now that we are on the integration process.

Patroned by the Mozambique peace architect and winner of the Mo Ibrahim Award of Excellence in good governance, **Former Mozambique President Joaquim Alberto Chissano**, the conference will be a platform for debates on Corporate Governance and how this could be effectively used in the continents quest for increased sustainable investment and poverty eradication. Chissano, while President of Mozambique followed with interest the global developments on Corporate Governance and sustainable development in the past decates, hence sees the need to help consolidate the same in African emerging markets, especially those where not much has been done on Corporate Governance yet presenting great investment opportunities, for African markets need to grow together.

The Conference will be blended with presentations and moderations by speakers and personalities who have shaped the contemporary Corporate Governance debate in Africa and the worldover. Moreso delegates will be afforded networking opportunities which might result in business or/and investment opportunities especially in countries like Mozambique where there are opportunities which had not been revealed to the world.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the conference are:

- To bring together decision makers to discuss corporate governance issues
- To strengthen the debate on Corporate Governance especially for those whose countries have made remarkable mile stones
- To help those participants whose countries are still lacking behind on Corporate Governance issues

- To rationalise the debate on Corporate Governance in the continent (not to confine it to certain countries)
- To bring different perspectives informed by different legal backgrounds and markets to the debate on Corporate Governance in the continent
- To create new and strengthen already existing networks for decision makers and corporate governors
- To influence African leaders so that they see corporate governance not only as a private sector driven agenda but also as important to the public sector' sustainability
- Making it a learning opportunity on how free market systems operate
- To help Africa move together in terms of sustainable investment and growth
- To enhance the culture of dealing in good faith, probity and integrity within businesses across Africa

PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTES

Corporate Chairs, CEO, Compliance Officers, Board Directors, Executive Directors, Compliance Officers, Senior Partners, Auditors, Legal Practitioners, Stock Brokers, Consultants, Engineers, Ministers, Directors, Presidents of Municipalities, Institutional Leaders, Businessmen, Governors of Central Banks, Board Members of NGOs, Representatives of International Organizations, Members of Diplomatic Corps, Corporate Governance Practitioners, Representative of Corporate Governance Networks, Representatives of Chambers of Commercies and Trade Associations, Governments Representatives at Decision Making Levels, Labour Movements at Decision level, Media, etc.

These are expected to come from all the regional blocks of Africa as Marketing has been through networks in all the blocks i.g. Northern, Western, Eastern and Southern of Africa.

THEMES, SPEAKERS & FACILITATORS

Please see Conference Programme

JOAQUIM CHISSANO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTRE

Built by the Mozambican Government and named after Former Mozambique Head of State in honour of his work, the Joaquim Chissano International Conference Centre is a world class conference facility which has hosted big events that include both AU and UN meetings and big business conferences. The centre is situated along the coast of Maputo City and is fully equipped to meet the expectations of participants at a level of a Corporate Governance Conference in Africa. Besides the main auditorium, the conference centre has broad corridors and extra rooms appropriate for setting up stands and banners for marketing purposes.

CONFERENCE LANGUAGES

Portuguese

French &

English (*simultaneous translation*)

PROGRAMME (See link to Programme)

PARTICIPATION FEE

USD 300.00

REGISTRATION (see link to form)

Please fill the form and return it to the **Fundacao Joaquim Chissano Av. Zimbabwe 954, Maputo, Mozambique** or **Fax +258 21 484 001** or email : anderson.mondlane@gmail.com

SPONSORING/EXHIBITION AT CONFERENCE

Exhibition of different products and services will take place alongside the conference, where suppliers will be exposed to about 200 to 300 influential delegates and decision makers expected to come from Africa and parts of the world. Besides, sponsors logos will be paraded in both the conference Magazine and website apart from the banners they will be allowed to display at the conference. Some will be granted the opportunity to display their logos on the banners of the conference which will be stretched across some of the main roads of Maputo. *So, grab the chance and be paraded amongst business leaders and decision makers throughout the continent and beyond. The earlier you seize the opportunity the more visible you will become. (Note- the conference will be also marketed through the corporate governance network internationally).*

For Conference Information and Sponsoring Opportunities Please contact

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SOCIAL EVENTS/ PARTNER PROGRAMME

Delegates can look forward to a Cultural Night *'the Mozambican way'* where Mozambican food, dance and music will be dished out. Chissano himself will be the **HOST**. A post conference tourism package will be prepared for those interested in adventuring into the beauty of *'The Pearl of the Indian Ocean'*. For more information about Mozambique adventurous places please visit the ministry of tourism site.

ACCOMMODATION

In supporting the conference the the Polana Serena Hotel, situated along the coast of Maputo City, not far from the Joaquim Chissano International Conference Centre is offering Corporate Special Rate for Conference Participants. Please contact

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