





2024 Africa-America International Conference (AAMIC) In Collaboration with Institute of Multi-Track Diplomacy (IMTD), USA

Conference Theme: International Conference on Corruption, Leadership, and

National Development in Africa

Conference Location: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA

Duration: Three Days

Workshop dates: 26 - 28 June 2025 (Latest Arrival in USA: Wednesday,

25 June 2024)

Target Participants: Government officials and policy makers from

African nations

Academics, researchers, and political analysts

International organizations (e.g., UN, African Union, ECOWAS)

Anti-corruption agencies and law enforcement

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- officers
- Civil society organizations (CSOs) and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)
- Business leaders and corporate governance experts
- Security and defense experts
- Media professionals and investigative journalists
- Youth and women leaders
- Students and young activists

Visa for entry to the USA: (For those participants from countries requiring a visa to USA) To obtain a visa, it is required that the participants contact the American Embassy **at least 8 weeks in advance** with all the necessary documents. The organizers will provide, upon request, the necessary invitation letter.

Fee: \$650 (Six Hundred and Fifty Dollars Only) per person

(Non-refundable)

Included in the Fee are: Workshop material, welcome reception, Coffee Breaks,

Strategic Study tours, Gala night/Dinner on the award of

the certificates of participation

Not included in the fee are: Accommodation, Travel expenses, local transportation,

evening meals

Objective of the Conference

The conference aims to delve into the interplay between corruption, leadership, and national development in Africa. Its objectives include:

- 1. Analysing the multifaceted impacts of corruption on economic growth, social cohesion, and governance structures in African nations.
- 2. Exploring the pivotal role of leadership in fostering transparency, accountability, and ethical conduct within both public and private sectors.
- 3. Proposing actionable strategies, policies, and initiatives to combat corruption and bolster effective leadership for sustainable national development.
- 4. Facilitating interdisciplinary dialogues, knowledge exchange, and collaborations among scholars, policymakers, practitioners, and stakeholders.

Program

The program will:

- Highlight a wide range of issues related to corruption, leadership, and national development in Africa, providing a comprehensive framework for discussions and analysis during the conference.
- Group Discussions
- Case studies and simulations
- Visits and study tours to strategic institutions and organizations and historic/tourism sites in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania.

Conference Modules/Topics for Presentations and Discussions:

- Understanding the Nexus between Corruption, Leadership, and National Development:
 - Conceptual frameworks for understanding corruption and its impact on development.
 - Relationship between leadership effectiveness, governance, and economic development
 - Case studies illustrating the linkages between corruption, leadership failures, and stalled development in African countries.
- Corruption Trends and Challenges in African Countries:
 - Analysis of prevalent forms of corruption (bribery, embezzlement, nepotism, etc.)
 - Sector-specific challenges (public sector, private sector, judiciary, etc.)
 - Corruption perception indices and their implications for national development
- Leadership Strategies for Combatting Corruption and Promoting Good Governance:
 - Anti-corruption policies, legislation, and institutional reforms
 - Strengthening accountability mechanisms (judicial independence, ombudsman offices, etc.)
 - Leadership qualities and ethical standards conducive to transparency and integrity
- Legal Frameworks and Institutional Mechanisms to Combat Corruption:
 - Comparative analysis of anti-corruption legal frameworks across African countries
 - Role of anti-corruption agencies, law enforcement, and judicial systems
 - Challenges in enforcement and prosecution of corrupt practices
- Promoting Ethical Leadership in Public and Private Sectors:
 - Importance of ethical leadership in fostering organizational culture and integrity
 - Leadership development programs emphasizing ethical decision-making and accountability.
 - Corporate governance reforms and codes of conduct for promoting transparency and ethical behaviour in business.
- Integrity Building and Anti-Corruption Measures:
 - Education and awareness-raising campaigns on the detrimental effects of corruption
 - Whistleblower protection and incentives for reporting corruption
 - Civil society activism and citizen engagement in anti-corruption efforts
- Capacity Building for Effective Leadership and Governance:
 - Training programs for public officials and civil servants on leadership skills and ethics
 - Strengthening civil service reforms and merit-based recruitment practices
 - Institutional capacity building for effective service delivery and accountability
- Innovative Approaches to Tackle Corruption and Enhance Development:
 - Technological solutions for promoting transparency and accountability (egovernance, blockchain, etc.)
 - Social innovation and grassroots initiatives for combating corruption
 - Lessons learned from successful anti-corruption campaigns and initiatives in Africa and globally.

- International Cooperation and Partnerships for Combatting Corruption:
 - Role of international organizations, donor agencies, and multilateral initiatives
 - Cross-border cooperation in fighting transnational corruption and illicit financial flows.
 - Diplomatic efforts and peer learning mechanisms for sharing best practices and fostering global anti-corruption alliances.
- All registered and paid participants will receive a detailed agenda and administrative note and procedures for the conference few weeks in advance.
- All Conference Reports and Selected papers/presentations will be published annually.
- Friday, 27 June 2025 from 18h30-21h00, there will be a Gala/Networking Dinner.
- Saturday, 28 June 2025 from 10:00AM, will be Pittsburgh sightseeing

Certification

At the end of the conference, all participants will receive a Certificate of Participation.

Visa

For foreign participants requiring a visa to enter the USA, AGEFADD will provide a visa support letter upon receipt of payment and will accordingly, inform the local American Embassies in the respective countries.

The documentation required for organizing the visa or participation are:

- 1. A copy of the first two pages of a valid passport of the participant
- 2. A copy of a filled-in or online registration form for participation (https://agefadd.eu/aamic-payment)
- 3. A copy of a bank confirmation that the amount of Six Hundred and Fifty Dollars Only (\$650, Non-refundable) per participant, has been paid to the online payment portal of AGEFADD in Brussels, Belgium https://agefadd.eu/aamic-payment, usually, 4-6 weeks before commencement of any conference.

Online Registration Link: https://agefadd.eu/aamic-payment

Participants are advised to register early and submit their completed registration forms to and info@agefadd.eu by 30 March 2025

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