



SWISS–AFRICA ACADEMIA–INDUSTRY TRAINING

AIT-SASBI Lagos Spring Conference 2024

“Challenges of Growth”

Date

28 and 29 February 2024

Hosts

University of Basel: International Office,
University of Lagos (UniLag),
University of Ibadan (UI)

Main Venue

Campus UniLAG, University of Lagos, University Road Lagos Mainland Akoka, Yaba, Lagos, Nigeria

Hotel

Radisson Blu Hotel, Lagos Ikeja

Day 1
Wednesday 28 February 2024

Time	Session / Speaker(s)	
	MC: Mr Dimeji-Lamu Michael, Radio station manager	
8:00 – 9:00	Registration, Arrival of the guests, Catering	
9:00 – 11:00	Opening Session	
	9:00 - 9:10	Words of Welcome and Introduction to the AIT Swiss - Africa Conference <i>Speakers:</i> MC Mr Dimeji-Lamu Michael / Mr Erich Thaler, Introductory Remarks, Senior Manager Global Partnerships, University of Basel
	9:10 - 9:15	Opening Remarks by the Conference LOC Chair <i>Speaker:</i> Prof. Sunday Adebisi, University of Lagos
	9:15 - 9:20	Opening Remarks by the Conference Co-Host <i>Speaker:</i> Prof. Oyedunni Arulogun, University of Ibadan
	9:20 - 09:40	Keynote: Dr Vuyisile Phehane, Executive: Bio-Economy Division TIA (Technology Innovation Agency) Bio-Economy and the role of start-up innovation. Insights into the South African landscape
	9:40 - 09:50	Lagos 2024 Conference Address (Switzerland) Overview Swiss Innovation Ecosystem <i>Speaker:</i> Mr Frank Eggmann, Consul General for Switzerland
	09:50 - 10:30	Address and Declaration of the Conference Open by the Conference Host <i>Speaker:</i> Vice-Chancellor University of Lagos (Prof. Folasade Ogunsola OON, FAS)
	10:30 - 11:00	Coffee / Tea break
11:00 – 13:00	Pitching contest of African startups from Nigeria, Rwanda and South Africa <i>Moderator:</i> MC	
	11:00 - 11:30	Introduction by MC, Karen Eksteen and Dorina Kühner
	Start-ups from Nigeria	
	11:30 - 11:40	#1 Mr Victor Tubotamuno, Earlybrite <i>EdTech</i>
	11:40 - 11:50	#2 Mr Stephen Obe, Evet Africa <i>AgriTech</i>
	11:50 - 12:00	#3 Mr Uche Udekwe, Natal Cares <i>HealthTech</i>
	12:00 - 12:10	#4 Mr Nnaemeka Praise Ifeakor, Student Paddy <i>EdTech</i>
	12:10 - 12:20	#5 Mr Taiwo Yussuf, TY-DAMI ENERGY RESOURCES <i>ClimateTech</i>
	Start-ups from Rwanda	
	12:20 - 12:30	#6 Mr Yves Himbaza Mugiraneza, TWIS <i>EdTech</i>
	12:30 - 12:40	#7 Mr Ghislain Dukuze, Loopa <i>CleanTech</i>
	Start-ups from South Africa	
	12:40 - 12:50	#8 Ms Kathryn Malherbe, MedSol AI Solutions <i>HealthTech</i>
	12:50 - 13:00	#9 Mr Ahmad Yasin Hossenbocus, Libex <i>FinTech</i>
	13:00 – 14:15	Dotty networking @Lunch
14:15 - 14:25	#10 Ms Helene Nel, Algaeholix <i>AgriTech</i>	
14:25 - 14:35	#11 Ms Leah Wilson Bessa, De Novo Foodlabs <i>AgriTech</i>	
14:35 - 14:45	#12 Ms Shirley Keolebogile Caroline Motaung, Global Health Biotech <i>BioTech</i>	
14:45 - 14:55	#13 Mr Thamsanqa Chiliza, Igagasi Biotech <i>BioTech</i>	
14:55 - 15:05	#14 Mr Cornelius Cano Ssemakalu, Iraka Biotech <i>AgriTech</i>	
15:05 - 15:15	#15 Mr Sange Mafinyongwana, LenoKids <i>EdTech</i>	

14:15 - 17:30	15:15 - 15:25	#16 Ms Gestél Kuyler, Nanosene <i>Industrial BioTech</i>		
	15:25 - 15:35	#17 Mr Brett Thompson, Newform Foods <i>BioTech</i>		
	15:35 - 15:45	#18 Mr Ntobeko Songcata, Proland Projects <i>HealthTech</i>		
	15:45 - 15:55	#19 Mr Gregory Andrews, Tata-iMali <i>FinTech</i>		
	15:55 - 16:05	#20 Mr Marthinus Wessel Myburgh, Urobo Biotech <i>BioTech</i>		
	16:05 – 16:45	Coffee / Tea break Start-ups and Evaluators departing into their reflection group		
	16:45 – 17:30	Start-up reflection group <i>Moderator:</i> Ms Dorina Kühner Debriefing of company presenters Sharing presentation experience and feedback from program Alumni	Evaluators' Get-together Jury panel convenes for the selection of the winners (Swiss Residency Stay) <i>Facilitator:</i> Mr Erich Thaler	Public Voting MC
17:30 – 17:45	Announcement of the winners - <i>Public Voting Winner:</i> MC - <i>Swiss Residency Winners:</i> Prof. Simone Stürwald Closing remarks for Day 1 <i>Speakers:</i> MC Mr Dimeji-Lamu Michael/ Mr Erich Thaler, Senior Manager Global Partnerships, University of Basel			
End of Day 1				

Day 2 Thursday 29 February 2024		
Time	Session / Speaker(s)	
8:00 – 9:00	Registration	
Opening Session		
9:00 – 12:40	9:00 – 9:20	Welcome and setting the stage for Day 2 MC presents highlights of Day 1 and gives an overview of Day 2
	9:20 – 10:10	Lecture <i>Speakers:</i> Prof. Simone Stürwald & Co-Speaker Dr. Kolawole Olonade UniLAG <i>Theme:</i> "Innovation and Economic Development in the Construction Sector" Lecture followed by Q&A (Fishbowl Format)
	10:10 – 11:00	Input <i>Speaker:</i> Stephan Hofer, MLaw <i>Theme:</i> "Investment Agreements in a Nutshell" + discussion
	11:00 – 11:30	Coffee / Tea break
	Keynote Day 2	
	11:30 – 12:20	Keynote 2: The University of Ibadan and its Innovation Policy (Introducing the Center for Entrepreneurship; its projects and business cases) <i>Speaker:</i> Prof. Arulogun & Team
	12:20 – 12:40	Summary of Day 2, MC Erich Thaler, University of Basel: Closing remarks (End of Conference Day 2 at UniLAG Campus)
12:40 - 13:30	Lunch break	
13:30 (Departing for The Nest)	14:00 - 16:30	Walk the Talk Start up Hub Tour. The Nest Hub Manager: Mr Oloba Oluwajoba Input: Ms Felista Aku, Afrilabs, Senior Partnership Manager Participants: AIT Start-ups only
16:30 - 17:30	Closing Reception for Start-ups Hub	
End of the AIT Swiss - Africa Annual Conference 2024		