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**

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| 9:00 – 9:10   | *Words of Welcome and Introduction to the AIT Swiss • Africa Conference*  
**Speakers:** 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*  
**Speaker:** Prof. Sunday Adebisi, University of Lagos |
| 9:15 – 9:20   | *Opening Remarks by the Conference Co-Host*  
**Speaker:** Prof. Oyedunni Anilogun, University of Ibadan |
| 9:20 – 9:40   | *Keynote: Dr Vuylisile 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 – 9:50   | *Lagos 2024 Conference Address (Switzerland)*  
Overview Swis Innovation Ecosystem  
**Speaker:** Mr Frank Eggmann, Consul General for Switzerland |
| 9:50 – 10:30  | *Address and Declaration of the Conference Open by the Conference Host*  
**Speaker:** Vice-Chancellor University of Lagos (Prof. Folasade Ogunsola OON, FAS) |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | *Coffee / Tea break*                                                                                                                                         |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | *Pitching contest of African startups from Nigeria, Rwanda and South Africa*  
**Moderator:** MC  
**MC:** Introduction by MC, Karen Eksteen and Dorina Kühner |

**Start-ups from Nigeria**

| 11:30 – 11:40 | #1 Mr Victor Tubotamuno, Earlybrite  
*EdTech* |
| 11:40 – 11:50 | #2 Mr Stephen Obe, Evet Africa  
*AgriTech* |
| 11:50 – 12:00 | #3 Mr Uche Udekwu, Natal Cares  
*HealthTech* |
| 12:00 – 12:10 | #4 Mr Nnaemeka Praise Ibeakor, Student Paddy  
*EdTech* |
| 12:10 – 12:20 | #5 Mr Talwo Yussuf, TY-DAMI ENERGY RESOURCES  
*ClimateTech* |

**Start-ups from Rwanda**

| 12:20 – 12:30 | #6 Mr Yves Himbaza Mugiraneza, TWIS  
*EdTech* |
| 12:30 – 12:40 | #7 Mr Ghislain Dukuze, Loopa  
*CleanTech* |

**Start-ups from South Africa**

| 12:40 – 12:50 | #8 Ms Kathryn Malherbe, MedSoi AI Solutions  
*HealthTech* |
| 12:50 – 13:00 | #9 Mr Ahmad Yasin Hossenbocus, Libex  
*FinTech* |

**13:00 – 14:15 Dotty networking @Lunch**

| 14:15 – 14:25 | #10 Ms Helene Nel, Algaeholix  
*AgriTech* |
| 14:25 – 14:35 | #11 Ms Leah Wilson Bessa, De Novo Foodlabs  
*AgriTech* |
| 14:35 – 14:45 | #12 Ms Shirley Keolebogile Caroline Motaung, Global Health Biotech  
*BioTech* |
| 14:45 – 14:55 | #13 Mr Thamsanqa Chiliza, Igagasi Biotech  
*BioTech* |
| 14:55 – 15:05 | #14 Mr Cornelius Cano Ssemakulu, Iraka Biotech  
*AgriTech* |
| 15:05 – 15:15 | #15 Mr Sange Mafinyongwana, LenoKids  
*EdTech* |
### Day 1

**14:15 - 17:30**

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| 15:15 - 15:25 | #16 Ms Gestel Kuyler, Nanosene  
Industrial BioTech|
| 15:25 - 15:35 | #17 Mr Brett Thompson, Newform Foods  
BioTech|
| 15:35 - 15:45 | #18 Mr Ntobeko Songcata, Proland Projects  
HealthTech|
| 15:45 - 15:55 | #19 Mr Gregory Andrews, Tata-iMali  
FinTech|
| 15:55 - 16:05 | #20 Mr Marthinus Wessel Myburgh, Urobo Biotech  
BioTech|
| 16:05 - 16:45 | Coffee / Tea break  
Start-ups and Evaluators departing into their reflection group|

**16:45 - 17:30**

- **Start-up reflection group**  
  Moderator: 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)  
  Facilitator: Mr Erich Thaler

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| 17:30 - 17:45 | MC  
- Swiss Residency Winners: Prof. Simone Stürwald|

**Closing remarks for Day 1**

Speakers: MC Mr Dimej Lamu Michael/ Mr Erich Thaler, Senior Manager Global Partnerships, University of Basel

### End of Day 1

### Day 2

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| 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  
Speakers: Prof. Simone Stürwald & Co-Speaker Dr. Kolawole Otonade UniLAG  
Theme: “Innovation and Economic Development in the Construction Sector”  
Lecture followed by Q&A (Fishbowl Format)|
| 10:10 – 11:00 | Input  
Speaker: Stephan Hofer, MLaw  
Theme: “Investment Agreements in a Nutshell” + discussion|
| 11:00 – 11:30 | Coffee / Tea break |

**Keynote Day 2**

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| 11:30 – 12:20 | Keynote 2: The University of Ibadan and its Innovation Policy (Introducing the Center for Entrepreneurship; its projects and business cases)  
Speaker: Prof. Anulogun & 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)|

**Lunch break**

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| 13:00 - 16:30 | Walk the Talk Start up Hub Tour. The Nest  
Hub Manager: Mr Oboba Oluwajoba  
Input: Ms Felista Aku, Afrilabs, Senior Partnership Manager  
Participants: AIT Start-ups only|
| 16:30 - 17:30 | Closing Reception for Start-ups  
Hub|