



## 5th German-African Infrastructure Forum

# Environmental Engineering

Düsseldorf, November 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017

## Preliminary Program

(as of 30 October)

**Venue: DUSconference plus**  
Flughafenstraße 120, 40474 Düsseldorf

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Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>

08:30 – 09:30 am	<b>Registration and Welcome Coffee</b>
09:30 – 09:45 am	<b>Welcome Session</b>  <b>Dr Stefan Liebing</b> Chairman Afrika-Verein der deutschen Wirtschaft (AV), Germany  <b>Hon. Prof. Dr Andreas Pinkwart</b> Minister Ministry of Economic Affairs, Innovation, Digitalization and Energy of the Land North Rhein-Westphalia, Germany
09:45 – 10:05 am	<b>Strategic Projects Abroad and “Pro! Afrika” Initiative</b>  <b>Dr Andreas Nicolin</b> Head of Section (Ministerialdirigent) Office for Strategic Projects Abroad Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMW), Germany
10:05 – 10:20 am	<b>Keynote</b>  <b>Edmund Acheampong</b> Branch Manager Siemens AG, Ghana
10:20 – 11:00 am	<b>Networking Coffee Break</b>
11:00 – 12:00 pm	<b>Opening High-Level Panel</b> with African Government Representatives and other African Stakeholders
12:00 – 12:30 pm	<b>Compact with Ghana</b>  <b>Tutu Agyare</b> Managing Partner & Chief Investment Officer Nubuke Investments, Ghana  <b>Dr Ludger Schuknecht*</b> Chief Economist Ministry of Finance, Germany



12:30– 02:00 pm

**Networking Lunch Break**

02:00 – 03:15 pm

**Parallel Sessions**

**Parallel Session 1: Water Supply, Management & Innovation**

**Hon. Nomvula Mokonyane\***

Minister

Department of Water and Sanitation, South Africa

**Dr Richard Damiecki**

Technical Director

Paula Water GmbH, Germany

**Michael Kersting**

Business Development Manager

Hermann Sewerin GmbH, Germany

**Thomas Kubbe**

Senior Vice President, Region EMEA

Wilo SE, Germany

**Caroline Weimann**

Project Management

Safe Water Enterprises, Germany

**Parallel Session 2: Renewables – The Future of African Energy?**

**Hon. Mohammed Adjei Sowah\***

Mayor of Accra, Ghana

**Carl Georg Graf von Buquoy**

Head of Photovoltaic

EnergieAgentur NRW, Germany

**Dennis Thiel**

Director Sales Africa

Anaergia Ltd, South Africa

**Steffen Fisel**

Sales Manager Africa

Andritz Hydro GmbH, Germany

**Norbert Dwenger\***

Sales / Area Managing Director EMEA South - Mediterranean & Africa

NORDEX / ACCIONA WINDPOWER, Germany

03:15 – 04:00 pm

**Networking Coffee Break**



04:00 – 05:30 pm

### Parallel Sessions

#### Parallel Session 1: Mobility: Connecting People

Digitalization in the Public & Private Sector, Smart Cities and E-Mobility

**Thomas Bieg**

Mining & Freight Rail Solutions  
Siemens AG, Germany

**Michael Pittelkow**

General Manager Public Services Africa  
SAP SE, Germany

**Jan-Dirk Schuisdziara\***

Vice President Project Logistics Area Central Europe  
Kühne & Nagel (AG & Co.) KG, Germany

**Representative\***

On the Dot, South Africa

#### Parallel Session 2: Logistics: The Future of Transportation of Goods in Africa

**Izebe Egwaikhide**

Independent Management Consultant / Project Manager  
Egwaikhide Consulting, Germany

**Dr Kenneth Odera**

Academic Director/Research, Transport Planning and Policy  
Namibian German Institute for Logistics, Namibia

**Eric Sanchez\***

Vice President Africa Business Development  
Bolloré Logistics, France

06:30 – 10:00 pm

**Evening Reception**  
**on the river Rhine on board of the “MS Jan von Werth”**  
Burgplatz / Altstadt, 40213 Düsseldorf

**Hosted by**

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Digitalisierung und Energie  
des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen



(a bus shuttle from DUSconference plus to the boat will be provided for all participants.  
The return after the reception has to be organized individually.)



Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>

09:00 – 09:30 am	<b>Registration and Welcome Coffee</b>
09:30 – 10:15 am	<p><b>Opening Dialogue – Empowering Innovation</b></p> <p><b>Prof. Dr Hans-Joerg Bullinger</b> Chairman of the Board of Trustees Wilo Foundation, Germany</p> <p><b>Representative</b> Deutsche Investitions- und Entwicklungsgesellschaft mbH, Germany</p>
10:15 – 10:30 am	<p><b>Lab of Tomorrow - New Ways to New Business</b></p> <p><b>Caroline Masabo</b> Group Private Sector Cooperation, Division Economic and Social Development Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Germany</p>
10:30 – 11:00 am	<b>Pitch Session</b>
11:00 – 11:45 am	<b>Networking Coffee Break</b>
11:45 – 01:00 pm	<b>Parallel Sessions</b>
	<p><b>Workshop 1: Financing Infrastructural Development in Africa</b></p> <p><b>Heike Rüttgers</b> Head of Division Portfolio Management and Policy ACP European Investment Bank, Luxembourg</p> <p><b>Rupali Gupta</b> Head of Investor Relations Africa50 Infrastructure Fund, Morocco</p> <p><b>Representative</b> Commerzbank AG, Germany</p>



### **Workshop 2: African Railways**

How the Development of Rail Infrastructure enables Industrialization

#### **Impulse**

#### **Hon Joey Ghartey**

Minister  
Ministry of Railways Development, Ghana

#### **Thomas Bieg**

Mining & Freight Rail Solutions  
Siemens AG, Germany

#### **Klaus Richter**

Managing Director  
Inros Lackner SE, Germany

#### **Joerg Wellmeyer**

Chief Executive Officer  
Strabag International GmbH, Germany

01:00 – 02:15 pm

**Networking Lunch Break**

02:15 – 03:30 pm

**Parallel Workshops**

### **Workshop 1: Waste Treatment & Management – It's an Asset not Waste**

#### **Dr Wolfram Schmidt**

Technology of Construction Materials  
Federal Institute for Material Science, Germany

#### **Eyasu Solomon**

Senior Vice President of Strategy  
Cambridge Industries Ltd., Ethiopia

#### **Christian Walter\***

Managing Director  
GP Papenburg International GmbH, Germany

### **Workshop 2: Experiences and Solutions – How to Develop Industrial and Civil Projects in the Water Sector in Africa**

#### **Gerhard Simon**

Director Sales Development EMEA at Liquid Purification Technologies  
LANXESS Deutschland GmbH, Germany

#### **Chiara Felicitas Otto**

Executive Consultant  
Eight Innovations GmbH, Germany



03:30 – 04:00 pm

Closing

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