



# ATF 2015

AfDB TRANSPORT FORUM  
FORUM TRANSPORT DE LA BAD

## SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT FOR AN INTEGRATED AFRICA

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Abidjan – Côte d'Ivoire  
26-27 November 2015



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DE DEVELOPPEMENT

## JOIN US FOR THE FIRST AfDB TRANSPORT FORUM (ATF 2015)

The first African Development Bank Transport Forum will take place on the 26th and 27th of November 2015 at the headquarters of the African Development Bank, in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, under the theme "Sustainable Transport for an Integrated Africa".

The Forum is a key moment to share best practices and experiences, promote research and development, and stimulate continental business and professional networking.

It will bring together high level government representatives, experts, development partners, international organizations, the private sector, academia, NGOs and other selected stakeholders.

How do we facilitate the movement of people and goods for increasing producer and consumer markets in Africa? How do we facilitate reliable, safe, sustainable and inclusive travel, both locally and internationally? These questions are at the heart of our two days of debate and discussion, which will be animated by more than thirty high-level speakers.

Through the prism of regional integration and national connectivity, the speakers will also highlight the new challenges faced by the continent, through the following five thematic topics:

- Innovative Financing
- Sustainability
- Regional Integration and International Connectivity
- Urban Transport
- A Demand for Commitment to Road Safety

These topics will form the basis for the five plenary panel discussions and nine parallel sessions, detailed in the following program.

# DAY ONE

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26

- 8:00 – 9:00 || **Registration & Coffee**
- 9:00 – 9:10 || **Welcoming Remarks, Solomon Asamoah,**  
Vice President, OIVP, African Development Bank
- 9:10 – 9:30 || **Opening Address, Dr. Akinwumi Ayodeji Adesina,**  
President, African Development Bank
- 9:30 – 9:40 || **Welcoming Note, Minister, Host country**
- 9:40 – 10:00 || **Keynote Speech, Minister, Regional Member Country**
- 10:00 – 10:45 || **PLENARY 1:** Transport Development and Emerging Challenges in Africa
- 10:45 – 11:15 || **Coffee Break**
- 11:15 – 13:00 || **PLENARY 2:** Transport for Green and Inclusive Growth
- 13:00 – 14:00 || **Lunch Break**
- 14:00 – 15:30 || **PARALLEL SESSIONS 1:**
- 1.A • *Regional Integration and International Connectivity - Regional Corridor Development and Facilitation*
  - 1.B • *Urban Transport - Urban Mobility in African Cities*
  - 1.C • *Financing - Rail Development in Africa: Are We on the Right Track?*
- 15:30 – 16:00 || **Coffee Break**
- 16:00 – 17:00 || **PLENARY 3:** Governance and Institutional Capacity
- 17:00 – 19:00 || **Cocktail Reception**

# DAY TWO

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

8:00 – 9:00 || **Registration & Coffee**

9:00 –10:30 || **PLENARY 4:** Innovative Financing to Meet the Growing Transport Demand

10:30 –11:00 || **Coffee Break**

11:00 –12:30 || **PARALLEL SESSIONS 2:**

**2.A** • *Regional Integration and international Connectivity* - Improving Ports Gateways to Africa

**2.B** • *Sustainability* - Asset Management and Maintenance

**2.C** • *Road Safety in Africa* - A demand for Commitment

12:30 –14:00 || **Lunch Break**

14:00 –15:30 || **PARALLEL SESSIONS 3:**

**3.A** • *Regional Integration and international Connectivity* - Opening up the sky over Africa and promoting viable carriers

**3.B** • *Sustainability* - Inclusive and Resilient Transport

**3.C** • *Financing* - Public Private Partnership, how to push for more?

15:30 –16:00 || **Coffee Break**

16:00 –17:00 || **PLENARY 5:** The Way Forward, and how the AfDB could partner in the years to come

17:00 –17:30 || **Closing Remarks, Solomon Asamoah,**  
Vice President, OIVP, African Development Bank

## ABOUT THE TRANSPORT & ITC DEPARTMENT OF THE AfDB

AfDB is Africa's Bank for the financing of development projects. In the period 2009-2015, the Bank committed 20% of its annual investment to the transport sector, which is approximately US\$ 1.7 billion per year.

Regional Integration is one of the operational priorities of the AfDB's Ten Year Strategy (2013-2022), with Inclusive Growth and the transition to green growth identified as the two objectives to support transformation. AfDB's transport investments aim to contribute to regional integration and develop local connectivity, promoting growth which is sustainable and inclusive.

Transport engineers, economists, policies experts, advisors... over 50 transport specialists work in the AfDB Transport & ICT Department, in financing projects, providing advisory services, sharing knowledge, disseminating best practices, bringing synergies between development partners and the public and private sector.

The Bank and its Transport Team look forward to welcoming you at the ATF2015.

The AfDB Transport Forum 2015 will take place at CCIA-Building, Plateau,  
01BP 1387 Abidjan 01- Côte d'Ivoire

This event is by invitation only.

For registration and Bank support, please send the inscription form to  
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