Upcoming events! FAS President to co-chair the World Economic Forum on Africa 7-9 May 2014, Abuja, Nigeria



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Mrs. Bineta Diop will be Co-chair for the upcoming World Economic Forum on Africa (WEFA), organized in Abuja, Nigeria, 7-9 May 2014. Under the theme, "Forging Inclusive Growth, Creating Jobs", the 24th WEFA will bring together regional and global leaders from business, politics and civil society to discuss on ways of integration and reform of the African continent, in a manner that is beneficial to all its citizens. The main issues to be addressed during the different discussion panels, workshops and meetings featured in the programme of this year's WEFA, include: Ways of redesigning growth models and of transforming high growth into inclusive and sustainable growth; Deepening and diversifying investment partnerships; and Accelerating society's transformation through resilience and innovation.

As Co-chair, Mrs. Diop aims to put women's participation and inclusiveness for a sustainable economic and social growth in Africa at the forefront of the discussions. Some of the related topics to be covered include the value of access to land, support and investment in women led initiatives to agribusiness.

Mrs. Diop will co-chair along with Mr. Dominic Barton (Global Managing Director, McKinsey & Company, United Kingdom); Mr. Jean-François van Boxmeer (Chairman of the Executive Board and Chief Executive Officer, HEINEKEN.

Netherlands); Mr. Aliko Dangote (President and Chief Executive Officer, Dangote Group, Nigeria); Mr. Jabu A. Mabuza (Chairman, Telkom Group, South Africa); Sunil Bharti Mittal (Chairman, Bharti Enterprises, India); and Mr. John Rice (Vice-Chairman, GE, Hong Kong SAR).

Further information the WEFA 2014 will be coming up soon. Please note that certain sessions and panels will be available in live streaming, on the WEFA website.

For further details on the preliminary programme of WEFA 2014, please visit: http://www.weforum.org/events/world-economic-forum-africa-0