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RESOURCE PERSONS

09:00 – 09:30

OPENING SESSION

Chair: **Victor Murinde**, Director, African Development Institute, AfDB

Remarks: **Frannie A. Léautier**, Executive Secretary, ACBF

Remarks: **Mthuli Ncube**, Chief Economist & Vice President, AfDB



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A Tanzanian national, she served as Vice President of the World Bank and Head of the World Bank Institute from December 2001 to March 2007. She also served as Chief of Staff to the former President of the World Bank from 2000-2001. Cumulatively, Dr. Léautier served in various capacities at the World Bank from 1992-2007. From 2007 – 2009, she was a Managing Partner at The Fezemat Group, a company focused on risk management and leadership development. Dr. Léautier holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Dar es Salaam (1984); a Master of Science in Transportation from MIT (1986); and a PhD in Infrastructure Systems from MIT (1990). She is also a graduate of the Harvard University Executive Development Program. Dr. Léautier has published a number of articles in top-tier economic journals and magazines; she has also edited three books, including a recent one on Cities in a Globalizing World. She is currently Founding Editor for the Journal of Infrastructure Systems, Advisory Board Member for the MIT Open Course Ware, and Secretary of the Board for the Nelson Mandela Institute for Science and Technology in Africa. Dr. Léautier is a charter member of the Advisory Board for EuropEFE and a founding Board member for the Africa Institute for Governing with Integrity.



Mthuli Ncube, Chief Economist & Vice President, AfDB

Professor Mthuli Ncube is the Chief Economist and Vice President of the African Development Bank (AfDB). As Chief Economist, he oversees the Economics Complex, which is focused on the process of knowledge management within the Bank and with its partners, and general strategic economic research within the Bank. Mthuli Ncube holds a PhD in Mathematical Finance from Cambridge University in UK, on “Pricing Options under Stochastic Volatility” and was a lecturer in Finance at the London School of Economics. Before joining the Bank, he was the Dean of the Faculty of Commerce Law and Management, and also Dean and Professor of Finance at Wits Business School, all at University of Witwatersrand, in South Africa. He led Wits Business School to the 45th global rank in the UK 2007 Financial Times survey. He has extensive experience as an investment banker and as a regulator, having served as a Board member of the South African Financial Services Board (FSB), which regulates non-bank financial institutions in his country. He was also Chairman of the National Small Business Advisory Council (NSBAC) in South Africa. In 2008 and 2009, he was rated as one of the “Best Managers” in the manager-ranking surveys in South Africa. For the last 20 years, he has been devoted to economic research on Africa with the

African Economic Research Consortium (AERC). He is now Chairman of the Board of AERC. Moreover, he has published papers, articles and books in the area of finance and economics and received several awards. His interests are in golf, reading and painting. He is married to an Engineer with whom they have 4 children. He was nominated Chairman of the Global Agenda Council of the World Economic Forum on “Poverty and Economic Development” in 2010.

09:30 – 10:30

ACIR DESIGN AND ROLL-OUT (STRATEGY, FIELD SURVEYS & DATA COLLECTION)

Chair: **Francis Owusu**, Iowa State University, USA

Speakers:

- **Robert Nantchouang**, ACBF, Harare
- **Barnabe Okouda**, Coordinator, CAMERCAP, Cameroon
- **Masoai Dennis** (Data collector – Lesotho)
- **Isaora Zefania Romalahy** (Data collector – Madagascar)



Francis Owusu, Director of Graduate Education (DOGE), Dept. of Community & Regional Planning, Iowa State University,

Dr. Francis Owusu is an Associate Professor and the Director of Graduate Education in the Department of Community and Regional Planning at Iowa State University. He was an Assistant Professor of Geography and Political Science at Seattle Pacific University (2000–2001) and Research Analyst at the Environmental Quality Board of Minnesota Planning, St. Paul, MN, (1998-2000). Dr. Owusu holds a B.A. in Geography from the University of Ghana (1987); an M.A. in Population Studies from the United Nations Regional Institute for Population Studies, University of Ghana (1990); an M.A. in Geography from Carleton University in Canada (1992) and a Ph.D. in Geography from University of Minnesota, (2000). He teaches courses on international development, world cities and globalization, economic and urban planning, and planning methods. His research focus includes development policy in Africa, public sector reforms and capacity building, urban development and livelihood issues. He has conducted research on these topics in several African countries and has authored several journal articles, book chapters, book reviews and reports, and has worked on research projects funded by International Development Agencies, including the World Bank, Africa Capacity Building Foundation and Global Development Network. He has consulted for several international development agencies and also serves as an advisor to several others. He has also held leadership positions in academic and professional organizations, including chairing the Africa Specialty Group of the Association of American Geographers (2005-2008).



Robert Nantchouang, Knowledge Management Expert, ACBF

Dr. Robert Nantchouang is an economist and a statistician from Cameroon, and currently the Knowledge Management Expert (Enhancing State effectiveness) in the Knowledge and Learning Department, The African Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF). He holds a Doctorate in Economics from the Université de Paris-1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, France; a Master in economics from the University of Montreal; a Mastère in statistics and economic modeling from the ENSAE Paris and the Ingénieur statisticien Degree in statistics from the Institute of Statistics, Yaoundé, Cameroon. Prior to joining the Foundation, he was a senior lecturer at the Catholic University of Central Africa, and has taught at the University of Yaoundé as well as at various higher professional training institutions in Cameroon and in France. Dr Nantchouang has written books on statistics and mathematics, and various articles on development economics. He is married with children.



Barnabe Okouda, Coordinator, CAMERCAP, Cameroon

Barnabé OKOUDA est Ingénieur de la Statistique (senior statistician) et diplômé en Gestion de la politique économique. Il est actuellement Coordonnateur du projet de renforcement des capacités en gestion économiques et financières du Cameroun (CAMERCAP), un projet soutenu par ACBF.

Avant sa prise de fonction au CAMERCAP, M. OKOUDA occupait les fonction de Chef de département (Directeur) de la coordination et de la recherche à l'Institut national de la statistique du Cameroun. Il a très bonne connaissance des systèmes statistiques africains pour lesquels il a apporté son expertise comme consultant dans divers champs du domaine de la

Statistique dans plusieurs pays et auprès des organisations sous-régionales ou régionales (AFRISTAT, BAD, CEA). Sur le plan international, il est membre du bureau de l'Association des statisticiens du Commonwealth, et membre représentant du Cameroun à la Commission statistique des Nations unies. Il est également affilié à l'Institut international des statistiques (ISI). Il dispense par ailleurs des enseignements de Méthodes statistiques et de Management des organisations dans diverses institutions d'enseignement supérieur et de formation professionnelle.

Masoai Dennis, Statistician, Lesotho



Mrs. Masoai Dennis is a statistician by profession. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics and Statistics -National University of Lesotho (1991); Postgraduate Diploma in statistics - Makerere University Kampala, Uganda (1996); and, a Master of Statistics (Agriculture)- Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda (1997). She is the Founder and current Vice President of the Lesotho Breast Cancer Network (LBCN). Her special interests are: Monitoring and Evaluation of Development Programmes - Awarded scholarship for a one month World Bank sponsored International Program for Development Evaluation Training (IPDET) at Carleton University in Ottawa Canada. (2009).

Isaora Zefania Romalahy, Madagascar



Mr. Isaora Zefania ROMALAHY is a Statistician-Economist by profession. In 2008 he joined the Prime Minister Office, Madagascar, as a Technical Advisor of the Prime Minister in charge of Aid Coordination. In 2009, he was appointed Permanent Secretary in charge of Aid Coordination. Prior to this, he was working at the National Statistical Institute in Madagascar, as a Principal Analyst-Statistician. Mr. ROMALAHY holds a Masters in Applied Mathematics (Probability-Statistics) from the University of Antananarivo; a diploma in Statistics and Applied Economics from *Ecole Nationale de Statistique et d'Economie Appliquée d'Abidjan*, Cote d'Ivoire. He also earned a UN Certificate - Applied Statistics and Economics – from the United Nations Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific (UNISAP), Japan.

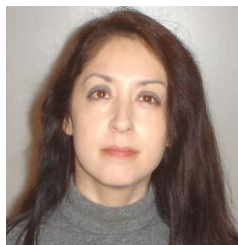
11:50 – 12:30

COMMISSIONED PAPERS, REVIEW PROCESS AND WRITE-UP

Chair: **Cristina D'Alessandro-Scarpari**, Sciences Po, France

Speakers:

- **Kobena Hanson**, ACBF, Harare
- **George Kararach**, ACBF, Harare



Cristina D'Alessandro-Scarpari, Professor, Sciences Po, Paris

Cristina D'Alessandro-Scarpari is a Professor at Sciences-Po Paris from 2005. Prof. D'Alessandro-Scarpari holds a PhD in Human geography from the Université François Rabelais de Tours, France and a post-doctorate degree from West Virginia University, USA. She previously worked at the Université Lyon II, Lyon and at the Université François Rabelais, being both a professor and a researcher. She published a number of critical articles and three books. Her research is focused on the African continent and more precisely on development and political geography.



Kobena Hanson, Head, Knowledge & Learning, ACBF

A Ghanaian national, Dr. Hanson is the Head, Knowledge and Learning, ACBF. Prior to joining ACBF in 2006, Kobena was the Knowledge Management Coordinator, Ghana SHARP Project; a USAID-funded, Futures Group-implemented KM Country initiative for Ghana. He was an Assistant Professor of Geography and Planning at West Virginia University, USA (2003-2006). He holds a B.A. in Geography & Resources Development from the University of Ghana (1989); an M.A. in Population Studies from the United Nations Regional Institute for Population Studies, University of Ghana (1992); a PGD in Population & Development (Distinction) from the Institute of Social Studies, The Hague (1994); and a Ph.D. in Geography from Queens University, Canada (2001). Dr. Hanson has published a number of critical articles in top-tier development policy and geography journals. His upcoming publication – *Rethinking Development Challenges for Public Policy* (co-edited with George Kararach and Timothy M. Shaw) and published by Palgrave Macmillan, is due out in June 2012.



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14:30 – 15:15

ACIR ANALYSIS, COMPOSITE INDEX & SCENARIOS DEVELOPED

Chair: **Roger Tsafack-Nanfosso**, Université de Yaoundé, II

Speakers:

- **Robert Nantchouang**, ACBF, Harare
- **Abbi Kedir**, University of Leicester, UK



Roger Nanfosso-Tsafack, Université de Yaoundé, Cameroun

Après des études à l'Université de Yaoundé (Cameroun) et à l'Université d'Auvergne à Clermont-Ferrand (France), Roger Tsafack Nanfosso est titulaire d'un Doctorat en Economie de l'Entreprise et d'un Doctorat d'Etat en Sciences Economiques, et fut reçu Major au Concours d'Agrégation en Sciences Economiques en 2001. Il est Professeur Titulaire à l'Université de Yaoundé II et intervient à titre d'enseignant, de conférencier ou de consultant dans de nombreuses Universités et institutions internationales en Afrique et en Europe. Il est auteur de sept ouvrages et d'une demi-centaine d'articles publiés en Afrique, en Europe, en Amérique et en Chine.



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Abbi Kedir, Department of Economics, Leicester University, Leicester, UK

Abbi M. Kedir did his PhD in the School of Economics, University of Nottingham, UK (2003) after completing MSc in Economics and Econometrics with Distinction from the same university in 1998. He is currently a lecturer (assistant professor) in the Department of Economics, University of Leicester, UK. Among others, his research interests are in applied econometrics, foreign aid, poverty reduction, public health, international trade, regional integration and foreign direct investment. He published his work in *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*, *Journal of Development Studies*, *Journal of African Economies*, *African Development Review* and other peer-reviewed international journals. He was a visiting scholar at World Institute of Development Economics Research (WIDER), Helsinki and regularly serves as visiting lecturer for African Economic Research Consortium (AERC), Nairobi and Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia. He has done consultancy work for the World Bank, DFID-UK and European Union.

16:30 – 17:30

ACIR: IMPLICATIONS FOR THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

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17:30– 18:00

WRAP-UP OF DAY-ONE

Chair: **Moses Kiggundu**, Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada

Speaker:

- **Korbla Puplambu**, Grant MacEwan University, Canada
- **Robert Mazur**, Iowa State University, USA



Moses Kiggundu, Sprott Business School, Carleton University, Canada

Moses Kiggundu is Professor of Management and International Business at the Sprott Business School, Carleton University, Canada. Professor Moses Kiggundu's research interests include organization and development management, especially in developing and modernizing economies, institutional and capacity development and management for strategic (policy) and operational management in the context of development and reform, and international and cross-cultural management.



Korbla Puplambu, Grant MacEwan University, Canada

Korbla P. Puplambu is Chair of the Department of Sociology at Grant MacEwan University, Edmonton, Canada. With a PhD in Sociology and MEd in International and Global Education, his research interests are in the global restructuring of agriculture and higher education; the politics of knowledge production and propagation; transnational and global citizenship, diaspora and identity politics in multicultural societies. He has recent publications in academic journals such as *Canadian Journal of Learning and Technology*, *Alberta Journal of Educational Research* and *Tailoring Biotechnologies*. He has co-edited or contributed to several books including *The Public Sphere and the Politics of Survival: Voice, Sustainability and Public Policy in Ghana* (with Wisdom Tetey), *African Education and Globalization* (with Ali Abdi and George Dei), *The African Diaspora in Canada* (with Wisdom Tetey) and *Critical Perspectives on Politics and Socio-Economic Development in Ghana* (with Wisdom Tetey and Bruce Berman).



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DAY 2

FRIDAY, 20TH JANUARY 2012

09:00 – 10:30

PRESENTATION ON ANALYSIS & FINDINGS ON SECTION G – CPIA

Chair: **Gibson Chigumira**, Executive Director, ZEPARU, Zimbabwe

Speakers:

- **George Kararach**, ACBF, Harare
- **Botswana; Burkina Faso; Cote d'Ivoire; Mauritania; Tanzania**



Gibson Chigumira, ZEPARU, Zimbabwe

Currently Executive Director and Ex-officio member of the ZEPARU Board of Trustees, Dr Chigumira holds a PhD from Strathclyde University, Scotland, UK; MSc degree in Economics (Glasgow University, UK); MSc degree in Economics (University of Zimbabwe) and BSc degree in Economics (UZ). Before joining ZEPARU Dr Chigumira worked for the ACBF for 8 months in 2003. Prior to joining ACBF Gibson was a lecturer and researcher in the University of Zimbabwe in the Economics Department (1993-2003). He has also taught and supervised dissertations for students on the MBA programmes run by the Zimbabwe Open University and Solusi University; Masters in Policy Studies run by SAPES Trust and MBA in Strategic Management run by the Zimbabwe Institute of Management and Derby University (UK). He has also carried out commissioned research for both local and international organisations such as the Trades Centre; SAPES Trust; African Institute for Agrarian Studies; ILO; World Bank; UNESCO; UNIDO; UNDP and Shelter Afrique. Some of this research has been published as chapters in books, papers and monographs.



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Grace G. Kgakge-Tabengwa, Botswana Institute for Development Policy Analysis (BIDPA)

Dr. Grace G. Tabengwa is a policy analyst and macroeconomics specialist with over ten years research experience with the BIDPA in the International Trade Unit and the Macroeconomics, Forecasting and Planning Unit. Within these areas, published various policy relevant research aimed at advising the Government of Botswana and other countries in the Southern African region which has contributed to policy implementation, debates and reforms to contribute to long term development. She has a passion for research work that leads to development and sustainable long term growth as seen through her published research work on the “Determinants of Non-Mining Private Investment in Botswana” and research contributions to the New Growth Path Proposals for South Africa as well as on her leadership on key research projects for the Regulatory and Administrative Costs of Doing Business in Botswana in collaboration with the World Bank and Foreign Investment Advisory Service. She is a key member of the Botswana Economic Mapping Study which led to proposals for the establishment of a competition policy and legislation in Botswana. She has experience working with development partners on various research projects and activities, notably the World Bank, AfDB and Friedrich Ebert Foundation and has done regional work among SADC countries on trade, investment and macroeconomic issues which led to the publication of her book titled “Deepening Integration in SADC: Botswana- A Benchmark for the Region”.



Basga Emile DIALLA, Centre d'Analyse des Politiques Economiques et Sociales (CAPES)

Dr DIALLA, du Burkina Faso, est l'actuel Directeur Exécutif du Centre d'Analyse des Politiques Economiques et Sociales (CAPES), rattaché à la Présidence du Faso. Avant de rejoindre le CAPES, Dr DIALLA, qui est un universitaire, était Chargé de Recherche au Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique et Technologique à Ouagadougou, au Burkina Faso, où il occupait la position de Chef du Département Socio-économie et Anthropologie du Développement de l'Institut des Sciences des Sociétés. Il est titulaire d'un PhD en Sociologie Rurale/Sociologie du Développement de Iowa State University of Science and Technology à Ames (USA), depuis 1992. Dr DIALLA a beaucoup travaillé dans le domaine du développement rural, s'intéressant à des thématiques aussi variées que les savoirs locaux en matière de gestion des ressources naturelles, les organisations paysannes, la question foncière sur les périmètres hydroagricoles, le phénomène de la corruption, la question du genre, la problématique du renforcement des capacités, la gestion des connaissances, le phénomène du travail des enfants, les fondements de l'entrepreneuriat, etc. Dr DIALLA est auteur d'une quarantaine de publications, principalement dans le domaine du développement, réparties en articles scientifiques, articles de valorisation et communications à des ateliers et séminaires. Comme titre honorifique en reconnaissance de ses mérites au travail dans son pays, Dr DIALLA est fait Chevalier de l'Ordre National par le Président du Faso.



Elimane Mamadou Kane, Centre Mauritanien d'Analyse de Politiques, Mauritanie

Dr. Elimane Mamadou Kane est un juriste mauritanien, il est actuellement expert en Développement Institutionnel au CMAP (Centre Mauritanien d'Analyse de Politiques) à Nouakchott. Il est titulaire d'un doctorat en Droit Public de l'université de Reims Champagne-Ardenne en France, il a un DEA en Sciences Politiques de l'Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar, et a une maîtrise en Droit Public de l'Université de Nouakchott. Avant son recrutement par le CMAP, il était enseignant à l'université de Reims Champagne-Ardenne en France. Dr. Kane fut également responsable du Centre d'études et de documentation européenne à l'université de Reims Champagne-Ardenne. Dr. Kane est auteur de publications sur les transitions démocratiques africaines, sur la bonne gouvernance, sur les accords de partenariat économique, sur l'efficacité de l'aide publique au développement en Afrique. Il est célibataire et n'a pas d'enfants.



Apronius Mbilinyi, ESRF, Tanzania

Mr. Apronius Mbilinyi hails from Songea, Tanzania. He holds a Masters of Philosophy (MPhil.) degree in Economics from the University of Ghana-Legon, and a Post graduate Diploma in Poverty Analysis from the Institute of Social studies (ISS). He has more than 10 years working experience in research and consultancy in aid management, public finance, development management, agriculture economics, policy analysis and planning. His working experience includes holding various positions in the financial sector, teaching, coordinating development programs and in the Public Sector as a senior economist. He also worked as a guest researcher at Christian Michelsen institute (CMI) in Norway and Botswana Institute for Policy Analysis (BIDPA). Currently an Assistant Research Fellow at the Economic and Social Research Foundation (ESRF), he also works as a Business and Marketing advisor for Millennium College and EB Associates Company Ltd. His field of specialization include: Public sector economics, trade and regional integration, agricultural marketing, structural policy, aid management, and development economics.



Zié Ballo, CAPEC, Cote d'Ivoire

Né le 05 Août 1968 à Zanasso-Tengrela (Côte d'Ivoire), je suis actuellement Maître de Conférences Agrégé de Sciences Economiques à l'Université de Cocody-Abidjan et Chercheur à la Cellule d'Analyse des Politiques Economiques du CIRES (CAPEC). Mes domaines de recherches sont: Economie des conflits, Economie politique Africaine, Economie des transports, Décentralisation, Développement économique local, Economie industrielle. Je suis auteur de plusieurs travaux dans ces domaines dont certains ont fait l'objet de publication dans des revues internationales à comité de lecture.

11:45 – 12:15

ACBF's INDEX ON AGRICULTURAL TRANSFORMATION & FOOD SECURITY

Chair: **Robert Mazur**, Iowa State University, USA

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14:30 – 16:00

CRYSTALIZING VISION, INTENTION AND CREATING STRATEGIC SCENARIOS **(In-depth Discussion on Draft 2012 ACIR Report, Next Steps and Way Forward)**

Chair: **Korbla Pupilampu**, Grant MacEwan University, Canada

Speakers:

- **Roger Tsafack-Nanfosso**, Université de Yaoundé, II
- **Suresh Babu**, IFPRI, Washington, DC, USA
- **Francis Owusu**, Iowa State University, USA
- **Moses Kiggundu**, Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada



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17:30 – 18:30

WRAP-UP OF DAY II & CLOSING SESSION

Chair: **John Loxley**, University of Manitoba, Canada

Speakers:

Jacob Gyamfi-Aidoo, UNDP

Jo Marie Griesgraber, New Rules for Global Finance Coalition

Frannie A. Léautier, Executive Secretary, ACBF



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