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A PAN AFRICAN EVENT SERVING THE FINANCIAL INDUSTRY

2025 KEY NUMBERS

+1,250 participants



61

countries
represented



+4,000

messages
exchanged



65

partners



650

financial group
executive committee
members



+80

ministers, central bank
governors & regulators



+350

women leaders



+100

journalists



47

sessions



+500

business meetings

A TASTE OF AFIS 2025



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AN EVENT ACCLAIMED BY ITS PARTICIPANTS

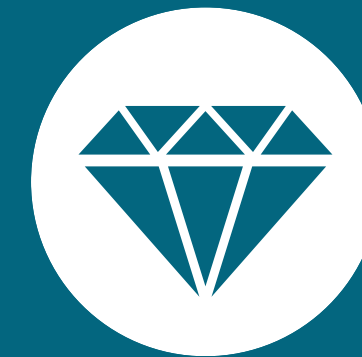


“A great event with tangible action points. It left me excited about the future of finance in Africa and how we can move the continent forward.”

Esther Siame
Finance & SME Funder



89%
of surveyed participants
recommend AFIS



8.8/10
average evaluation
of AFIS 2025



76%
the percentage of
participants who plan
on attending AFIS 2026

AFIS 2025 IN PICTURES



1250 participants gathered at AFIS 2025.



65 companies partnered with AFIS 2025.



47 sessions and many different formats.



10 Central Bank leaders joined the Event



AFIS 2025 AWARDS

AFRICAN BANKER (1)
Mohamed El Kettani,
CEO, Attijariwafa
Bank

AFRICAN INSURER
Heinie Werth,
CEO,
SanlamAllianz

AFRICAN FUND (2)
Helios Investment
Partners

**AFRICAN
DISRUPTER (3)**
HUB2

**AFRICAN WOMAN IN
FINANCE**
Chilufya Mutale-
Mwila, Co-Founder &
Chief Visionary
Officer, eShandi

**AFRICAN CENTRAL
BANK GOVERNOR**
Abdellatif Jouahri,
Wali,
Bank Al-Maghrib

ENGAGE IN DISCUSSIONS ON THE KEY TRENDS IN AFRICAN FINANCE

Unlocking Africa's Financial Power: Time to mobilise domestic capital at scale

The pursuit of a strong African financial sector has never been more critical. Global aid, trade, investment flows, and geopolitical dynamics are shifting, while international capital has grown more selective, costlier, and less patient than at any time in the past decades. Across the continent, transformative projects in energy, infrastructure and digital innovation require massive investments, not only foreign, but also domestic. It is now essential to build domestic and regional financial sectors capable of carrying their fair share of the financing needed for the continent's sustainable growth, job creation, prosperity, and sustainability. The key to inclusive growth lies within Africa's grasp.

Despite the continent's growing wealth and more sophisticated financial markets, a significant share of locally generated capital remains underutilized or is invested abroad. The result is a paradox of resource abundance alongside persistent financing gaps for local economies. Mobilizing capital at home will require forward-thinking regulation, fit-for-purpose financial instruments, better information for domestic investors, and strategic partnerships that can channel domestic savings into long-term investment.



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17 PANELS, 10 ROUNDTABLES, 9 SIDE-EVENTS, 4 KEYNOTES, 3 FIRESIDE CHATS, 3 MASTERCLASSES

Global Economic & stability challenges

Unlocking Africa's financial power:
Time to mobilize domestic capital
at scale

AfCFTA, PAPSS & AELP: How can
pan-African initiatives deliver the
impact financial institutions want
to see?

How can Africa be more than a
bystander in the global financial
architecture?

A new global equation: Where can
Africa turn for critical finance?

Commercial Banking Outlook

Trusting local banks with FX
reserves: A move to boost
sovereignty or a big risk?

On the frontline of fiscal strain:
How can financial institutions
manage sovereign debt
exposure?

Who controls African trade
finance - and why isn't it African
banks?

NPL breathing room: How could
expanded secondary markets
ease pressure on banks?

Digital Financial Services & Fintech

Co-designing AI-driven MSME
finance with bank, fintech and MFI
partnerships

Challenger banks: The neobanks
disrupting the status quo

Blockchain, AI and cyber resilience:
Progressing e-KYC, fraud
detection and digital innovation

Regulatory passporting: The
missing link to smoothing cross-
border compliance and sparking
innovation?

Enabling early-stage investment
ecosystems in Africa

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Capital Markets & Asset Management

Mobilising domestic savings into capital markets: What's stopping pension funds?

Reviving African stock markets: Forging publicly-listed family businesses with pan-African ambitions

From dry ports to deep waters: Financing inland corridors and trade access for landlocked countries

Overcoming the barriers to local currency debt markets

From deal to listing: Preparing private equity exits through capital markets

Expanding Insurance

Tech, climate & food ecosystem exposures: Can insurance absorb the coming shockwaves?

Smart insurance: Sharpening up claims, risk modeling and operations with AI and insurtech

Climate shock cover: How to expand regional climate risk pools

How to tackle Africa's sub 3% insurance penetration rates?

Impact & Sustainability

Green, social and blue Bonds and green sukuk: Building Africa's climate finance toolbox

From start-up to scale-up: Financing SMEs for jobs growth in Africa

How to build an Africa-centred and globally aligned green taxonomy

Women In Finance | Aid's vanishing act: The next play for women-led SME & fintech funding

Microfinance: Breaking free from debt-driven models

WHO WAS AT AFIS 2025?



BANKING

- Commercial banks
- Investment banks
- Financing solutions

DFI & INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS

- International financing
- Global institutions
- Pension funds

OFFICIALS

- Central Banks
- Regulatory Authorities
- Government members

FINTECH, PAYMENTS & SOFTWARE

- Money transfer services
- Currency conversion services
- Payment solutions
- Software

OTHERS

- Advisory, legal

INSURANCE

- Insurers
- Reinsurers
- Brokers
- Insurtech

ASSET MANAGERS & CAPITAL MARKETS

- Stock exchanges
- Brokers

PRIVATE EQUITY

- Private equity
- Venture Capital investors
- Holdings & family offices

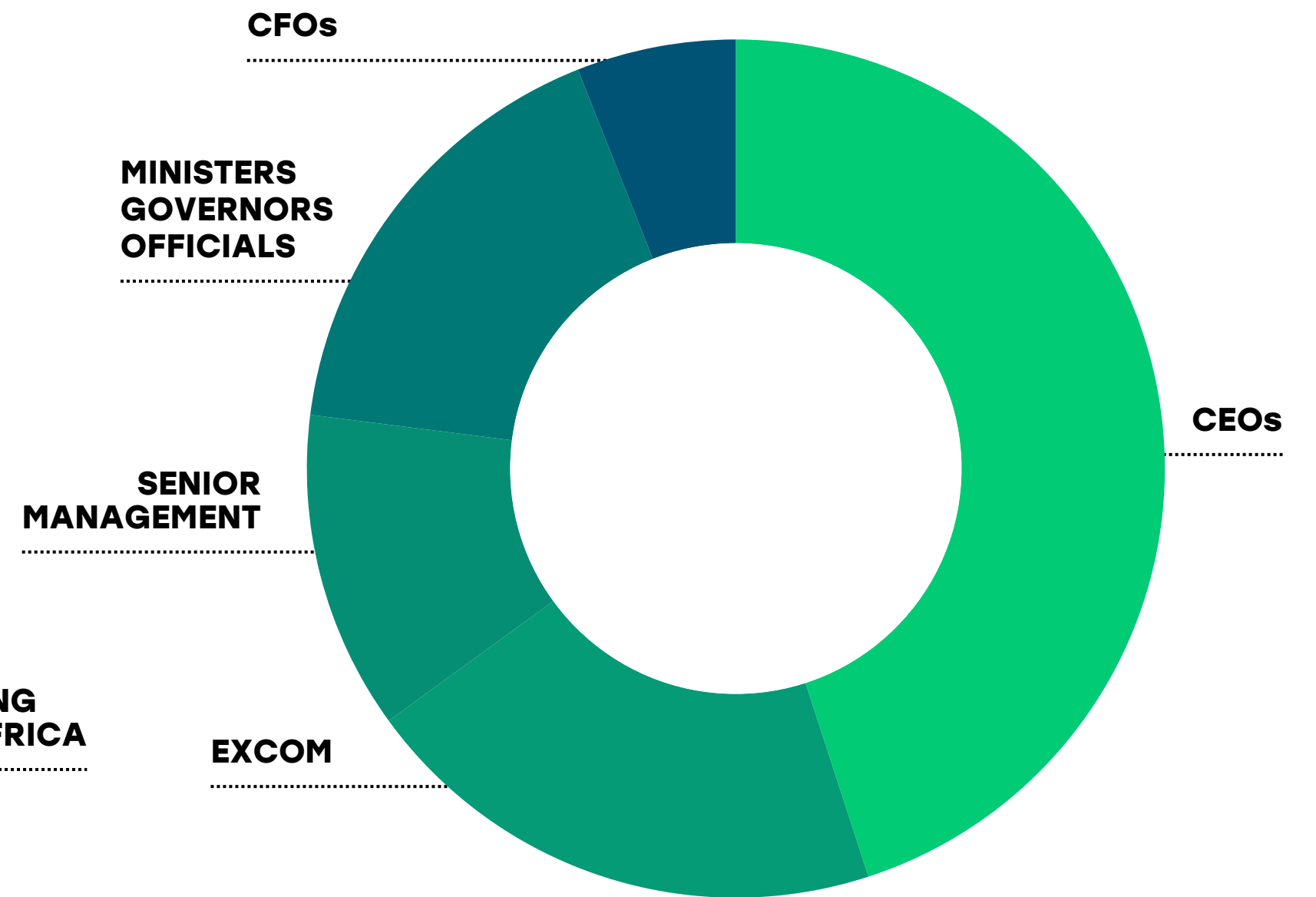
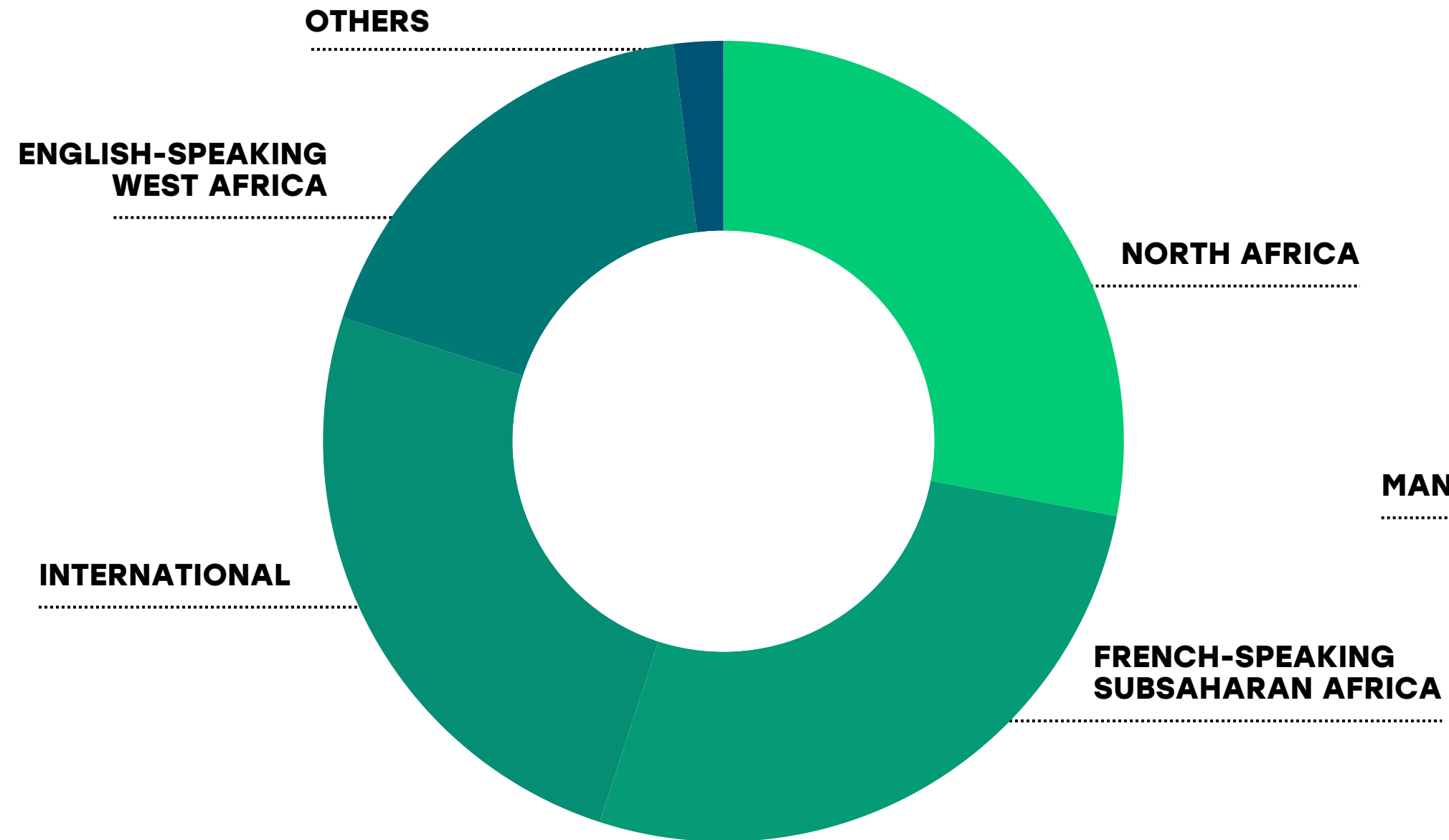
MOBILE MONEY & MICROFINANCE

- Telecom
- Crypto exchanges
- Tokenization platforms

CFOs

- African listed companies
- MNC

HIGH PROFILE ATTENDEES FROM DIVERSE REGIONS



THE LEADING PLATFORM FOR PUBLIC-PRIVATE DIALOGUE IN THE INDUSTRY



“I value the platform that AFIS provides for open, constructive dialogue among leaders from across the continent. These exchanges are essential as we collectively work to strengthen and transform Africa’s financial systems.”

**Manuel António
Tiago Dias**
Governor, Banco
Nacional de Angola

Central Bank Governors



Abdellatif Jouahri
Wali
Bank Al-Maghrib



**Jean-Claude
Kassi Brou**
Governor
BCEAO



**Manuel António
Tiago Dias**
Governor
Banco Nacional de
Angola



Michael Atingi-Ego
Governor
Bank of Uganda



André Wameso
Governor
Central Bank of
Congo



Abdoullie Jallow
Deputy Governor
Central Bank of
the Gambia



**Óscar Humberto
Évora Santos**
Governor
Banco de Cabo
Verde



**Aivo
Andrianarivelo**
Governor
Central Bank of
Madagascar



**Dr. Yamungu
Kayandabila**
Governor
Bank of Tanzania



**Matilda Asante-
Asiedu**
Deputy Governor
Bank of Ghana

Ministers



Nadia Fettah
Minister of Economy
& Finance
Morocco



Louis-Paul Motaze
Minister of Finance
Cameroon

Insurance Supervisors



Abderrahim Chaffai
President
Supervisory
Authority of
Insurance



Dr. Baghayo Abdallah Saqware
Commissioner
Tanzania Insurance
Regulatory
Authority



Mamadou Deme
Director
National Insurance
Department
Senegal



Dr. Aldemiro GONÇALVES
Executive
Director
ARSEG
Angola



Namakau Mundia Ntini
CEO
Pensions and
Insurance
Authority
Zambia



Blaise Abel EZO'O ENGOLO
Secretary
General
Inter-African
Conference on
Insurance
Markets (CIMA)



Bernard OHEMENG-BAAH
Deputy
Commissioner
Insurance
National
Commission-
Ghana



Marie-Vincent KATSHINGU
Sub-director
Regulatory and
Supervisory
Authority for
Insurance (ARCA)

Capital Markets Regulators



Tarik SENHAJI
Chairman & CEO
Moroccan Capital
Market Authority
(AMMC)



Vasco JANUÁRIO
Executive
Administrator
Comissão do
Mercado de
Capitais, Angola



Sidi Mohamed Biya
Président
Autorité de
régulation du
Marché Financier,
Mauritanie



Hana Tehelku
Director-General
Ethiopian Capital
Market Authority



Phillip K. Chitalu
Secretary
SEC Zambia



Josephine OKUI OSSIYA
CEO
Capital Markets
Authority Uganda



Sassou HUNZUNKEN
Director of Issuers
AMF-UMOA

200 LEADING BANKERS, FROM ANGOLA TO EGYPT, GATHERED AT AFIS 2025



“As long as the continent remains fragmented (over 40 currencies, disparate rules), local savings won’t finance long-term investment.”

Jeremy Awori
Group CEO
Ecobank TI

Leading Bankers at AFIS 2025



Aigboje Aig-Imoukhuede
Chairman
Access Holdings & Coronation



Mohamed El Kettani
CEO
Attijariwafa Bank



Luis Lélis
CEO
Banco Angolano de Investimentos



Amine Bouabid
CEO
Bank of Africa Group



Ini Ebong
Deputy Managing Director
First Bank of Nigeria



Felix Egbon
Chief Risk Officer
Zenith Bank



Idrissa Nassa
CEO
Coris Holding



Mustafa Rawji
CEO
Rawbank



Thierry Hebraud
CEO
Mauritius Commercial Bank



Isabel Espirito Santo
CEO
Banco Millenium Atlantico



Akef El Maghraby
CEO & Managing Director
Suez Canal Bank



Bydon Longwe
CEO, Broader Africa
Firststrand Banking Group

LEADING DFI HEADS AT AFIS 2025

THE EVENT ATTENDED BY MAJOR DFIs AND INSTITUTIONAL INVESTORS

“Capital isn’t the bottleneck; trust and bankability are. Align incentives so savings stay home, fund independent regulators, and prepare projects; then capital will flow to SMEs and local champions”



Ethiopis Tafara
Regional Vice-
President, Africa
IFC



Makhtar DIOP
Managing Director
IFC



Jules Ngankam
Group CEO
African
Guarantee Fund



Solomon Quaynor
Vice President,
Private Sector,
Infrastr., Industr.
AFDB



**George Agyekum
Donkor**
President
BIDC



Sérgio Pimenta
CEO
Africa 50
Infrastructure
Acceleration Fund



Serge Ekue
President
BOAD



Aliou Maïga
IFC Regional
Industry Director,
(FIG), Africa



**Michael
Jongeneel**
CEO
FMO



**Haytham El
Maayergi**
Executive Vice
President, Global
Trade
Afreximbank



Djalal Khimdjee
Deputy CEO
Proparco



John Esther
COO
TDB



Erik Sandersen
CIO - EVP
Norfund

LEADING CAPITAL MARKETS, INSURANCE & MICROFINANCE CEOs AT AFIS 2025

CAPITAL MARKETS, INSURANCE & MICROFINANCE:
AFIS IS MUCH MORE THAN A BANKER EVENT

“Innovation is one the key points
in our industry and it will help us
grow faster. We have to be very
close to the needs of the
customers. AI helps us having a
better knowledge of the clients”



Richard Lowe
Founder & President
Activa Assurances



Gilles Tchamba
CEO
L'Archer Group



Mohamed Bah
CEO
Sunu Group



**Brahim Benjelloun
Touimi**
President
Casablanca
Stock Exchange



Ouafae MRIOUAH
CEO
Atlantic Re



Karim Ezzeddine
Vice President
Skykapital



Corneille Karekezi
CEO
Africa Re



Philip Sigwart
CEO
Baobab Group



**Felix Edoh Kossi
Amenounve**
CEO
BRVM



**Mohamed Hassan
Bensalah**
Chairman & CEO
Holmarcom



Patty K-Martin
Managing
Director
Namibre



James Mworio
Group CEO
Centum Group



Richard Lowe
Founder and
President
Activa
Assurances

LEADING FINTECH & PAYMENTS CEOs AT AFIS 2025

“Traditional way of banking will not survive unfortunately. With the rise of the technology, the change of the dynamics and the demographics of the markets, we are facing customers who are tech savvy.”



Mohamed Horani
Chairman
HPS



Mounir NAKHLA
CEO & Co-
Founder
MNT-Halan



Aymen DAOUD
Regional Vice
President
Backbase



Coura Carine Sene
Regional Director
Wave Mobile
Money



Ismael Belkhat
Co-founder &
CEO
Chari



Abdeslam Alaoui
CEO
HPS



Ettie PHILITAS
Group Head of
Capital Markets
TALA



Nabil AMAR
Chairman
Cash Plus



Samba LO
Founder & CEO
Socium



**Evelyn CHILOMO
KAINGU**
CEO
Lupiye



Henry MASCOT
Founder & CEO
Curacel



Fintan Byrne
CEO
CR2

Aymen Daoud
Regional Vice
President
Backbase



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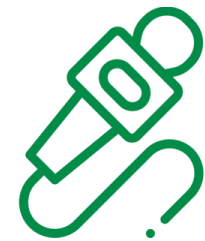
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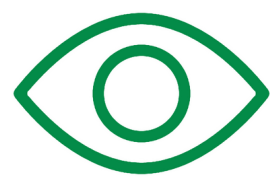
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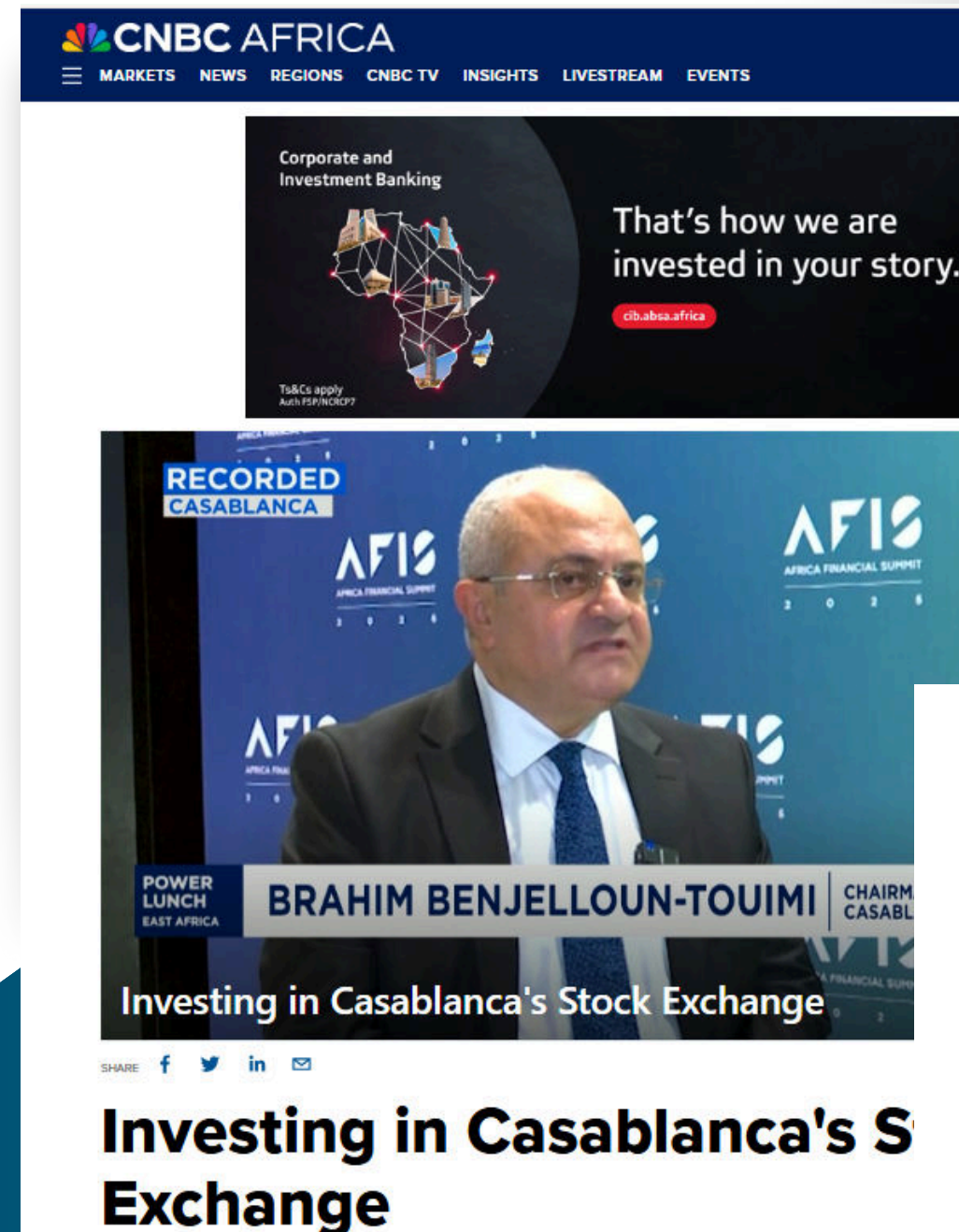
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journalists



+3M
impressions
on social media



60
media
partners



“WHY AFIS IS SO IMPORTANT”

The African financial sector is dealing with major external pressures: shifts in global trade regimes, including the decline of preferential access under AGOA, and a sharp reduction in foreign aid flows, affecting key sectors such as health and education.

We see private sector contraction in several countries – including declines in manufacturing and exports. We also face technological disruption.

While we often speak of AI, the broader technological shift introduces new risks that evolve quickly. The banking, financial, and fintech sectors are deeply exposed to these changes. Energy and infrastructure challenges persist as well.

At the core of all of this is the financial sector: It must manage risk effectively. It must allocate capital to the right investments. It must strengthen resilience so economies can withstand shocks.

For our countries to advance, the financial sector must be stronger, and able to deliver the outcomes our economies require – on time and at scale.

This is why AFIS is so important. We need to learn from each other and work collaboratively. The point on partnership could not be more timely.



Patrick Njoroge

Chairman, AFIS Supervisory Council
Former Governor, Central Bank of Kenya



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