

FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE AFRICAN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT NETWORK (APPN)

VICTORIA FALLS, ZIMBABWE, NOVEMBER 11 TO 14, 2025

Theme: Transforming Public Procurement in Africa through Innovation, Inclusion, Sustainability, and Regional Collaboration

Day 2: Technical Panels & Collaboration

Time	Session	Resource Persons
08:00 – 08:45	Registration	Host Country
08:45 – 09:00	Day-1 Recap	Master of Ceremony
09:00 – 12:00	Welcome Speech by President of the African Public Procurement Network Opening Remarks by Sponsors	The APPN President Dr. C. Ruswa Mr. Frank Mvula Director, Fiduciary Services AfDB Ms. Eneida Fernandes, Country Manager, Zimbabwe or Country Director for Zimbabwe, the World Bank Ms. Ndeye Fatou Diongue, Field Procurement Officer, IsDB Mr. Kofi Awanyo, Manager, Fiduciary Governance Sustainability and Fiduciary Solutions Department (SFD) Asian Infrastructure and Investment Bank Mr. Aftar Toure MOROU



	Network achievements and challenges since the Fourth General Assembly, Kigali, Nov. 2024 Opening speech Group Photo	APPN Technical Secretary Vice President, Hon. General (Retd), Dr. C.G.D.N. Chiwenga Vice President, Republic of Zimbabwe
12:00 – 13:15	Lunch Break	All
13:15 – 14:45	Public Procurement as a Catalyst for Job Creation	Moderator: Mr. Ashraf Ayad, Procurement Manager, AfDB Speaker: Professor Ron Watermeyer, University of Wits, South Africa Panelists: • Ms. Hiba Tahboub, Director and Chief Procurement Officer, the World Bank • Mr. Jimmy Christian Byukusenge, Rwanda • Mr. Benson Turamye, Executive Director, Public Procurement Authority, Uganda
14:45 – 15:15	Coffee Break	All
15:15 – 16:45	Strategic Directions and Policy Updates from the World Bank and AfDB	Moderator: Mr. Kofi Awanyo, AIIB Speakers: • Ms. Hiba Tahboub, Director and CPO, WB • Mr. Frank Mvula, Director, Fiduciary Services, AfDB Q&A
16:45 – 18:15	Professionalization and Capacity Building to	Moderator: Mr. Modeste Yameogo, APPN VP, Burkina Faso



	Optimize Benefits of Innovations in Public Procurement	Speakers: • Ms. Susie Smith, International Procurement Consultant, UK • Ms. Blerina Pogace (PhD), ITC-ILO, Italy Panelists: • Dr. Adebowale A. Adedokun, Representative Nigeria SPESSE Project • Dr. Moustapha Djitte, Director General, ARCOP, Senegal • Mr. Paul Vos, CIPS Africa, South Africa
18:30 – TBA	The BOMA	