

## 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 3: Breakouts, Reflections, and Closing

Time	Session	Resource Persons
09:00 – 12:00	Group 1 (English-speaking countries): Emphasizing the pressing need to harness emerging technologies such as e-procurement, blockchain, AI, and machine learning to modernize procurement systems, improve service delivery, and combat inefficiencies and corruption.	Each Group will select a chair/moderator and a rapporteur
	Group 2 (French-speaking) countries: Addressing the critical need to empower regulatory institutions with the mandate, tools, and capacity to ensure transparency, enforce compliance, and drive continuous improvement in procurement governance.	
	Group 3 (Portuguese-speaking countries): Recognizing the urgent need for cross-border collaboration to align procurement laws, standards, and practices across African countries, thereby fostering regional trade, efficiency, and shared accountability.	
_12:00 - 13:00	Lunch Break	All
13:00 – 14:30	Report Back from Breakout Groups	Rapporteurs from Each Group
14:30 – 15:00	Closing Session and Communiqué	Dr.C. Ruswa
	<ul> <li>Closing remarks and way forward</li> <li>Final communiqué</li> <li>Expression of thanks</li> <li>AfDB</li> <li>WB</li> <li>IsDB</li> <li>IIAB</li> </ul>	The APPN President  (Note: Coffee/tea will be available to pick up)
15:00 – 17:00	<ul> <li>Presentation of technical and financial report, and discussions</li> <li>Election of new chair</li> </ul>	Moderator: Dr.C.Ruswa, APPN President



		Presenter: Mr. Aftar Toure Morou, APPN Technical Secretary	
18:30 – TBA	Gala Dinner	Host	