

African Private Equity and Venture Capital Association (AVCA)
19th Annual Conference & Venture Capital Summit
Retrospection & Prospection:
Transforming Africa through Private Capital
Monday 1 - Friday 5 May 2023
Cairo, Egypt

The largest Africa focused private capital gathering globally returns, bringing together thought leaders, advisors, policy makers, entrepreneurs, and investors managing over US\$1.5trn in assets

600+ private equity leaders from over 50 countries globally meet to address evolving trends and unlock lasting, transformative change in Africa through private capital.

In its 19th year, the Annual AVCA Conference and VC Summit is returning to Cairo on 1 – 5 May 2023. The major international gathering will be the latest edition of AVCA's flagship forum and adds to successful global gatherings in Abidjan, Accra, Addis Ababa, Cape Town, Dakar, Lagos, Marrakech, and Nairobi.

This year's conference is being organised in partnership with the Micro Small and Medium Enterprise Development Agency of Egypt (MSMEDA), under the auspices of the Egyptian Cabinet.

The pan-African industry association continues to showcase opportunities for business and investment in the most promising markets in Africa. World-class investors, business leaders, and public figures charting growth through private investment will explore the current state and future of private equity and venture capital across high-potential economies and sectors.

Capital allocators, policymakers and the wider private capital in Africa ecosystem will meet in Cairo in person as international participants join virtually. Organised and hosted by AVCA in partnership with MSMEDA Egypt, with the theme, ***Retrospection & Prospection: Transforming Africa through Private Capital***, participants at the 2023 summit will discuss prospects for the region's economic development, industrialisation and the GP-LP landscape influencing current and future deal-making during a time of ongoing energy and food crises.

The agenda incorporates topical debate, market-shaping perspectives and strategies from organisations including **Adenia Partners, African Development Bank, African Infrastructure Investment Managers, AfricInvest, Clifford Chance, DEG, FSD Africa, International Finance Corporation, Old Mutual Alternative Investments, Proparco, Sahel Capital, and Verod.**

The landmark will be opened by His Excellency Mostafa Madbouly, the Prime Minister of Egypt and Chairman of MSMEDA It will also feature other keynote addresses by high-ranking figures from Egypt and around the world, panel discussions, investor and portfolio company spotlights, roundtable discussions and networking opportunities with and beyond 130+ speakers, including the following:

Wale Adeosun, Founder & Chief Executive Officer, **Kuramo Capital Management**

Samuel Akyianu, Chief of Party, **Mastercard Foundation Africa Growth Fund**

Runa Alam, Co-Founding Partner & Chief Executive Officer, **Development Partners International (DPI)**

Amine Allam, Managing Director, **Admaius Capital Partners**

Hany Al-Sonbaty, Managing Partner, **Sawari Ventures**

Albert Alsina, Founder, Chief Executive Officer & Managing Partner, **Mediterrania Capital Partners**

Idris Bello, Founding Partner & Portfolio Manager, **LoftyInc**

Carola Bose, Director and Head of Africa Private Equity & Global Climate Investments, **DEG**

1. Stephane Bacquaert, Managing Director, **Adenia Partners**
1. Tariye Gbadegesin, Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer, **ARM-Harith Infrastructure Investment LTD**
1. Okey Enelamah, Chairman & Co-Founder, **African Capital Alliance (ACA)**
2. 'Tokunboh Ishmael, Co-Founder & Managing Director, **Alitheia Capital**
3. Chumani Kula, Co-Head Private Equity, **Old Mutual Alternative Investments**
4. Mezuo Nwuneli Managing Partner, Sahel Capital
5. David Moore, Principal - Funds & Co-investments - Africa, **Blue Earth Capital AG**
6. Femi Ogunjimi, Partner, **Cardinal Stone Capital Advisors**
7. Colleen Ostrowski, SVP Treasurer and GM Treasury as a Service, **Visa**
8. Skander Oueslati, Deputy MD & Chief Investment Officer, **AfricInvest Group**
9. Luc Rigouzzo, Managing Partner, **Amethis**
10. Nieros Soerensen, Partner & COO, **Verod Capital Management**

The conference will unpack investment opportunities across the continent and examine rising themes and **new stages of maturity for private capital in Africa**. Prospects and learnings from progress in **PE and VC activity** will be discussed, including how to **create value for successful exits in Africa**, the avenues for **funding climate adaptation, resilience and opportunities in private credit and Africa's secondaries market**.

Topical streams include **maximising return on investment in Healthcare, Real Estate development in Africa**, the investment opportunities **beyond Solar, in Bioenergy, Hydropower, Wind, and Geothermal sources, strategies for leveraging capital to achieve innovation and more secure Food and Agricultural Systems, and Creative Economies as sources of growth and commercial return** - expert insights from many investors driving innovation in Africa's thriving private capital industry.

Note: Media will have full access to all conference sessions during the week and will be able to interview speakers and sponsors.

WHAT: The AVCA Annual Conference & Venture Capital Summit is a convening of global investors, capital allocators, policymakers, business leaders, and other industry stakeholders for a solutions-driven dialogue on what's next for private investment on the continent, More information on the summit is available [here](#).

WHEN: Monday 1 - Friday 5 May 2023

WHERE: Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at Nile Plaza, Egypt

About AVCA:

AVCA is a pan-African industry body that promotes private investment in Africa. AVCA's diverse membership is united by a common purpose: to be part of the African growth story. With a global and growing member base, AVCA members span private equity and venture capital firms, institutional investors, foundations and endowments, pension funds, international development finance institutions, professional service firms, academia, and other associations.

About MSMEDA:

MSMEDA is the national entity responsible for the development of MSMEs and promotion of entrepreneurship in Egypt. MSMEDA coordinates and integrates all stakeholders' efforts to create an enabling MSMEs environment promoting economic growth, job creation and sustainable development.