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**FORUM**

**Building Healthcare Resilience in Africa:  
Trends and Partnerships**

**Draft Program**

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09.30 – 10.30

**Registration & Welcome Coffee**

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09.00 – 10.00

**Women in Health Breakfast**

Representatives of **UNITE** and **Women in Global Health**

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10.00 – 10.15

**Opening & Introduction**

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**Welcome**

**Roland Göhde**

Chairman, GHA - German Healthcare Alliance  
Vice-Chairman, Afrika-Verein der deutschen Wirtschaft (AV),  
Germany

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10.15 – 10.30

**Keynote**

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Representative of **WHO, AU/Africa CDC**

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10.30 – 11.20

**Opening Discussion**

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**Strengthening Partnerships**

Revolutionizing Healthcare: This dynamic panel brings together a diverse mix of stakeholders – from corporates and start-ups to NGOs, government representatives, academia as well as community health workers. Together, we'll explore innovative strategies to strengthen health systems and improve global health outcomes. Join us to be at the forefront of healthcare transformation!

Speakers:

Representative of **Siemens Healthineers**

**Prof. Harald Renz, MD**

Professor and Director  
Institute of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiochemistry,  
Molecular Diagnostics  
Philipps University Marburg  
University Hospital Giessen and Marburg GmbH, Germany

**African Ministry of Health**

Representative of **B.Braun**

Moderator: **Claudia Voss**

Managing Director  
Afrika-Verein der deutschen Wirtschaft (AV)

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11.30 – 12.30

Parallel Sessions

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Room A

## **Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) - Diagnostic and Treatment**

The fight against NCDs requires a concerted effort that leverages the strengths of both the public and private sectors. By investing in innovative diagnostics and treatments, the private sector not only stands to gain commercially but also contributes significantly to global health advancements. This panel will explore how strategic investments and collaborations can lead to sustainable health outcomes and a reduced burden of NCDs in Africa.

Speakers:

Representatives of **African Ministry of Health, Health Innovation Exchange, Medicaid Cancer Foundation (Nigeria)\*, Siemens Healthineers**

Moderator: **Asmau Nitardy**

Senior Manager Healthcare, Afrika-Verein der deutschen Wirtschaft (AV)

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Room B

## **Women and Child Health**

This session focuses on the crucial role of private sector involvement in enhancing maternal and child health in Africa. We will discuss innovative strategies for engaging private entities, emphasizing investment in healthcare infrastructure, partnerships with government, and community health initiatives. By utilizing the private sector's strengths – efficiency, innovation, and resources – we aim for sustainable health improvements.

Speakers:

Representatives of **African Ministry of Health, African Hospital, Bayer, Boehringer Ingelheim, WHO**

**Martina Möllers**

CEO

Marti Connecting Africa, Germany

**Dr Marcus Leonhardt**

CEO

Gesundes Afrika (Amref)

**Dr Andreas Ullrich**

Charité Center for Clinical Global Women Health, Charité - University Medicine Berlin, Germany

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12.30 – 01.45

**Networking Lunch Break**

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01.45 – 02.45

**Parallel Sessions**

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Room A

## **Healthcare Infrastructure, Skills Development and Digitalisation**

Explore how public-private partnerships can address resource shortages in healthcare, from funding and qualified staff to infrastructure and equipment. This panel will also delve into the transformative potential of digital innovations. Discover how mobile solutions and blockchain technology contribute to sustainable healthcare improvements, scalability of mobile initiatives, and best practices for digital transformation in healthcare.

Speakers:

### **Ghazi Darghouth, MBA**

CEO

Institut des Métiers de Santé, Tunisia

### **Prof. Dr Lutz Mükke, PhD**

Director Institutional Partnerships Africa

Lecturio GmbH, Germany

Representative of **Wingcopter**

### **Ralf Schmitz**

Chief Commercial Officer

AXESS EMEA, Germany

### **Elizabeth Adeshina**

Founder / CEO

Wazima Health, Nigeria

Moderator: **Corinne Effinger**

Independent Journalist

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Room B

## **Medicines (Biotechnology, Pharmaceuticals, Generic Drugs and Vaccines)**

Explore the pharmaceutical sector's potential in Africa, including biotechnology, generic drugs, and vaccine development. This panel will discuss enhancing primary healthcare systems, regional health program collaborations, and local value chain development.



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Speakers:

Representatives of **UNIDO, GIZ, BioNTech, GAVI**

**Karim Bendhaou**

Head of Africa Bureau  
Merck Life Science KGaA, Germany

**Brenda Kokwaro**

Sector Expert Health Kenya  
Africa Business Network, Kenya

**Dr Shaheer Bardissi**

Co-CEO  
Minapharm Pharmaceuticals, Egypt

Moderator: **Paawana Abalo**

Manager West and Central Francophone Africa, Afrika-Verein  
der deutschen Wirtschaft (AV)

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**03:00 – 03:15**

**Keynote**

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**Dr Thomas Steffen**

State Secretary  
Federal Ministry of Health (BMG), Germany

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**03.15 – 04.15**

**Plenary Session**

Room A

**Financing and Investing in Healthcare Projects  
Regulatory Framework and Implementation**

Explore effective strategies for healthcare financing and investment during our panel discussion. We will cover: successful examples of healthcare financing, incentives for private sector involvement, challenges faced by the private sector, governmental roles in fostering investor-friendly environments, and the impact of regulatory frameworks on successful healthcare interventions.

Speakers:

**Torsten Reinecke**

Vice President Africa  
Sysmex Europe SE, Germany

**Silven Chikengezha**

Health Services Sector Lead  
International Finance Cooperation (IFC)



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**Sandrine Henton**

CEO  
EG Capital

**Dr Marlis Sieburger**

Head Of Division Health, Education and Social Protection, Sub  
Saharan Africa  
KfW Development Bank, Germany

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**04.15 -04.25 pm**

**Closing**

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**04.30 – 05.30 pm**

**Networking Coffee & Business-to-Business Meetings**

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**Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>**

**SITE VISITS**

**Site Visit 1:** Hospital Nordwest, Frankfurt  KRANKENHAUS  
NORDWEST

Topic: Cooperation in Telemedicine

**Site Visit 2:** Wingcopter  WINGCOPTER

Topic: Drone delivery solutions

**Site Visit 3:** Pharmaceutical Company

For any interest to take part at the site visits, please contact [Nitardy@afrikaverein.de](mailto:Nitardy@afrikaverein.de)