

OEACP BUSINESS SUMMIT

11th Summit of Heads of State and Government of the OEACP

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I – CONTEXT

In the current year, marking the fiftieth anniversary of the Organization of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OEACP), the 11th Summit of Heads of State and Government represents a timely opportunity to reinforce commitment to trade and economic development across all its regions.

As a key actor on the international stage, the OEACP strives to strengthen the economic resilience of its Member States through strategic partnerships, advocacy actions, and the promotion of private sector development (PSD). The latter has been a fundamental pillar in the Organization's efforts to drive inclusive growth, create jobs, and foster economic diversification.

The OEACP Business Summit, to be held alongside the Summit of Heads of State and Government, will provide regional economic actors and business stakeholders with a platform to express their perspectives and contribute meaningfully to shaping the future of the Organization.

The theme of the Summit, "A Transformed and Renewed OEACP in a Constantly Changing World," highlights the need for adaptation in response to an evolving geopolitical, economic, environmental, and technological landscape. It will also take into account the achievements and lessons learned from the previous Business Days held in Luanda in 2022.

An Uncertain Global Context

"A Transformed OEACP: Harnessing Economic Opportunities for Sustainable Development"

This theme is particularly relevant in a global context marked by events that directly impact the economies of the OEACP region. It emphasizes the need to turn these constraints into opportunities through economic diversification, the promotion of sustainable investments, digital innovation, and the strengthening of intra-regional trade.

Structuring initiatives such as the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) are fully aligned with this dynamic, offering a means to reduce dependence on external markets and enhance collective competitiveness.

In this regard, the Business Summit is not only a platform for dialogue but also a strategic milestone aimed at positioning the private sector as a driver of economic transformation and equipping the OEACP with a shared vision to address global challenges. The goal is to move beyond discussion towards concrete and measurable outcomes, with a focus on the signing of agreements, investor matchmaking, and the launch of tangible projects.

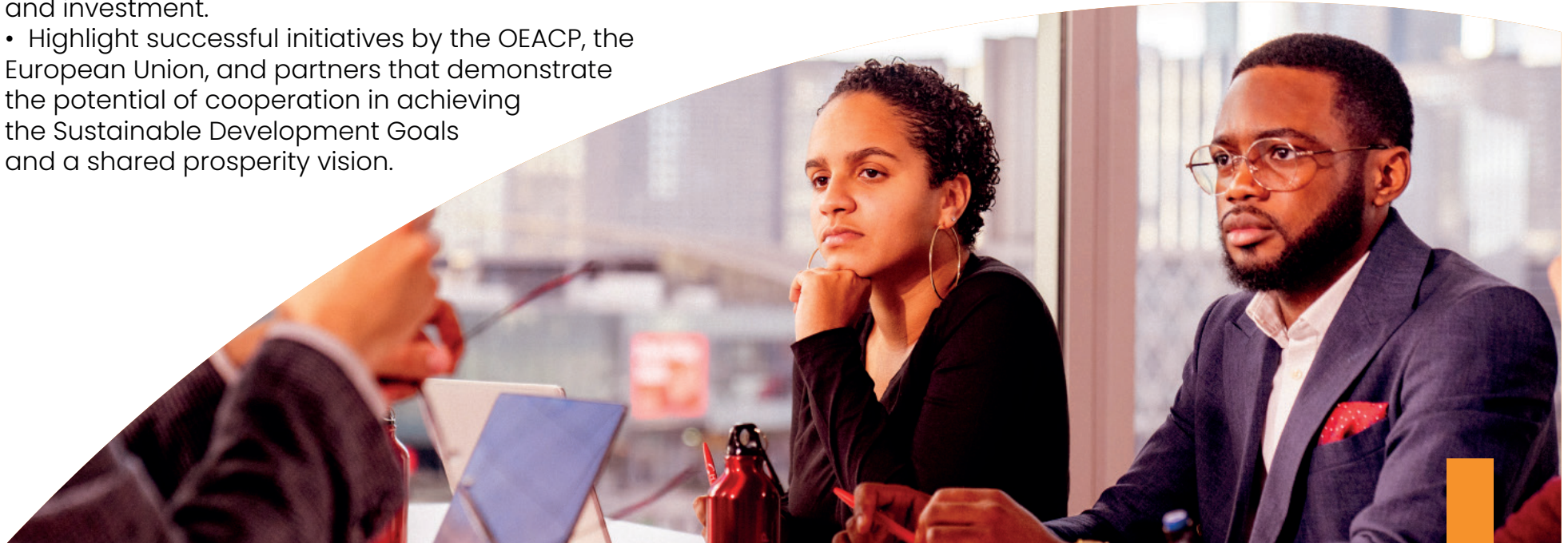
These efforts will be guided by specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound (SMART) objectives, ensuring effective monitoring of progress.

II – OBJECTIVES

The overall objective of the Business Summit is to foster strategic dialogue among Heads of State and Government of OEACP Member States, the OEACP Business Forum, business leaders, policymakers, investors, and development partners on mechanisms to accelerate inclusive, resilient, and sustainable economic growth.

It also aims to:

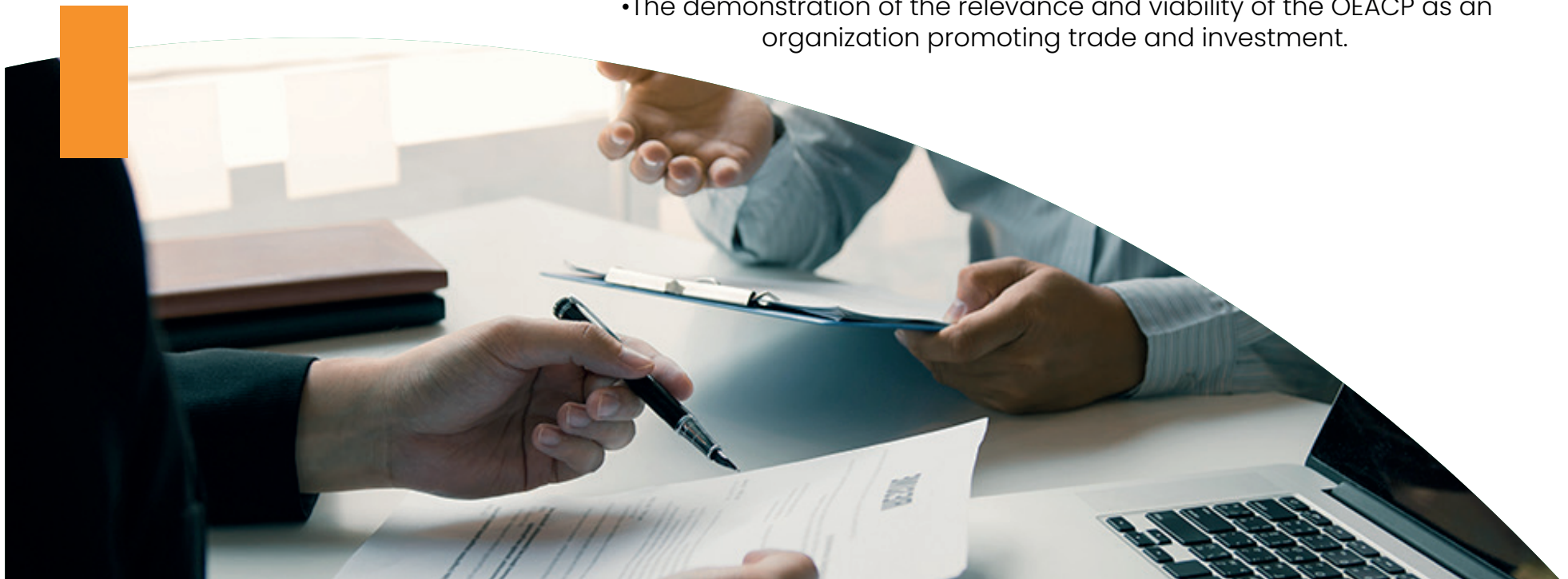
- Leverage investment opportunities in key sectors such as agro-industry, renewable energy, tourism, infrastructure, and the digital economy.
- Strengthen public-private partnerships to finance transformative projects.
- Promote innovation and digital transformation as drivers of competitiveness.
- Empower youth, women, and SMEs through entrepreneurship initiatives and access to financing.
- Deepen South-South and triangular cooperation to strengthen trade and investment.
- Highlight successful initiatives by the OEACP, the European Union, and partners that demonstrate the potential of cooperation in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals and a shared prosperity vision.



III – EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The Business Summit is expected to result in :

- The formalization of partnerships and investment agreements between OEACP Member States and businesses.
- The development of clear policy recommendations and cooperation frameworks to improve the environment for sustainable investments, particularly in priority sectors.
- The promotion of concrete strategies to expand access to financing for youth, women, and SMEs, as well as to foster innovation and digitalization.
- The strengthening of South-South and triangular cooperation, as well as reaffirmed collaboration with the European Union and other partners.
- The measurement of progress through indicators such as the number of partnerships established and investments mobilized within 12 months following the Summit.
- The demonstration of the relevance and viability of the OEACP as an organization promoting trade and investment.



IV-FORMAT

- High-level dialogue between Heads of State and business leaders.
- Presentation of pre-recorded questions and recommendations from entrepreneurs and young leaders.
- Roundtable discussions between policymakers and private sector representatives.
- Interventions by youth and women's groups.





V – PROGRAMME

The event will be structured around two main sessions, preceded by a consultation meeting between business leaders and private sector representatives.

09h00 à 09h15

Official Opening

- Welcome remarks: H.E. Mr. Moussa Saleh Batraki, Secretary-General of the OEACP.
- Opening address: H.E. Mr. Brice Clotaire Oligui Nguema, President of the Republic of Gabon.

09h15 – 10h00

Presidential Dialogue Session

High-level dialogue between Heads of State and business leaders.

Objective :

Adopt concrete decisions and investment plans in:

- Mining and critical minerals value chains
- Green economy
- Digital economy and innovation

10h00 – 10h45

Presentation of Gabon's National Development and Growth Plan

10h45 – 11h15

Coffee break and networking

11h15 – 12h20

Session 1 - Green industrialization and natural resource valorization

12h30 – 13h45

Lunch and networking

13h45 – 15h00

Session 2 - Digital transformation and innovation

15h00 – 16h15

Session 3 - SME development, entrepreneurship, and inclusive financing

16h15 -16h45

Report and adoption of recommendations

16h45 -17h00

Official Closing

- **Closing address** : H.E. Mr. Brice Clotaire Oligui Nguema, President of the Republic of Gabon.



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