

African Institutions Support Group

NEWSLETTER

Parliamentary Affairs



FINAL WEEK OF PAP

SO FAR SO GOOD!

As the Second Ordinary Session of the Sixth Parliament of the Pan-African Parliament (PAP) enters its final week, several noteworthy developments have taken place. One significant highlight is the swearing-in ceremony of new Members of Parliament from Botswana, Cameroon, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Madagascar, and Somalia. In recent events, President Ruto urged Africa to strive for lasting security, stability, and shared prosperity. The African Union Chairperson pledged support to the PAP recognizing its significance. The PAP received widespread Ordinary its commenced. As the session nears its conclusion here are some highlights:

- Let us propel Africa to lasting security, stability and shared prosperity:
 President Ruto
- <u>African Union Chairperson commits</u> support to Pan-African Parliament
- <u>Support pours in for the PAP as</u> <u>Ordinary Session gets underway</u>
- PAP celebrates 60 years of the African Union
- African Diaspora Collective -USA Hosts Groundbreaking Online Summit
- AfCFTA Workshop ends with renewed resolve to accelerate implementation
- Youth vital cog in acceleration of AfCFTA: PAP Caucus on Youth
- PAP Committee approves stunts on Labour, Migration

- PAP embraces Civil Society Forum's Resolutions, Recommendations
- PAP reaffirms commitment to <u>supporting</u> the #AfricaEducatesHer <u>campaign</u>
- Activists turn to PAP for concrete action to end GBV
- PAP Committee on Gender discusses
 Model Law on Gender Equality
- PAP Health Committee advocates for appropriate legal framework for continental trade in medicinal plants
- Third PAP Climate Change Summit offers strategic blueprint for African countries to respond to the scourge
- Pan-African Parliamentarians
 Climate Summit calls for localised resource mobilization



Events

ACTIVISM & PETITIONS

RACIST BANKS ON THE PROWL



The Zimbabwe Anti-Sanctions Movement (ZASM) is calling on the Pan-African Parliament (PAP) for support in their fight against racism, discrimination, and the implementation of illegal sanctions on black Africans by white-owned banks. ZASM demands legislative changes to establish bank account access as a fundamental right, preventing unjust closures based on allegations of money laundering or enforcement of illegal sanctions. They highlight the contrasting treatment of white companies involved in financial misconduct.



The movement seeks to challenge the immunity application of the US President, who they say has coerced South African companies to violate their own laws to sanction Black Africans without trial.

CULTURE & BUSINESS

COLOMBIA

In partnership with the African Diaspora Collective USA (ADC-USA) Ambassador to the United States of America Davisha L. Johnson, Partner With Africa (PWA) is supporting a Delegation of African public officials, business owners, and relevant stakeholders to Cartegena, Columbia for a 7-day Business and Cultural Trade Mission for Africans. There will be high-level celebrity guests, Members of the US Congress, and the Colombian government. Various activities and entertainment from a film festival, fashion show, and African Diaspora Concert with artists from across the African Diaspora like Cardi B, Foxy Brown, Dayme Arocena (Cuba), and Amanda Black (South Africa).

For more information or to join the delegation contact africandiasporacollectiveusa@gmail.com



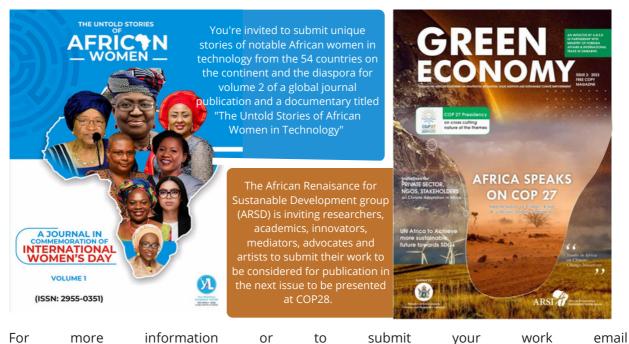




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INFRA FOR AFRICA FORUM

Africa50, the infrastructure investment platform established by African governments and the African Development Bank, is set to host its inaugural "Infra for Africa Forum" in Lomé from July 3 to 4, 2023. The event will also coincide with Africa50's Annual General Shareholders Meeting, attracting leaders from various sectors who share a common goal of addressing Africa's infrastructure funding gap.By facilitating project development, mobilizing both public and private sector finance, and making strategic infrastructure investments, Africa50 aims to drive sustainable development across the continent.



