



The Ninth Diaspora Development Dialogue (DDD9)  
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## Africa-Europe Diaspora Development Platform

Presents:

# NINTH DIASPORA DEVELOPMENT DIALOGUE (DDD9)

*Keynote Address by Honourable Dr. Isatou Touray  
Minister of Trade, Industry, Regional Integration and Employment  
Republic of The Gambia*

## 'Gender and Women Empowerment'

Engaging and Strengthening the Voices of African Diaspora Women

Tuesday, 5 June 2018, 1pm – 6pm

Venue : MAISON DES ASSOCIATIONS INTERNATIONALES  
40 rue Washington, 1050 Bruxelles, Belgique

## European Development Days (EDD 2018)

Wednesday, 5 June 2018 [Morning] & Thursday 6 June 2018

at Tour & Taxis on Avenue du Port 86, B-1000 Brussels.



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## DIASPORA DEVELOPMENT DIALOGUES (DDD<sub>s</sub>)

**Diaspora Development Dialogues (DDD<sub>s</sub>)** form an important part of ADEPT's service delivery framework. DDDs bring together African Diaspora-Development Organisations (ADDOs), governments, civil society organisations, the private sector and other development stakeholders, to work on practical means of improving diaspora interventions in African development. The DDDs are convened by the African diaspora, thereby providing the opportunity to mainstream diaspora perspectives, priorities and practices. The DDD involves:

- **Development Dialogue** between ADDOs and mainstream agencies and institutions
- **Policy Development** with focus on practical, effective and sustainable implementation
- **Facilitated Networking** for partnership action and improved development impact.

*Whenever possible and desirable, the DDDs are organised to coincide with 'Professional Training' for capacity development of ADDOs and partners'. This dual scheduling enables more diaspora practitioners and experts to engage directly with diverse development partners.*

### Summary of Past Diaspora Development Dialogues (DDD<sub>s</sub>)

- **DDD1** was held in Copenhagen, Denmark (26 November 2014) on the theme: '**Enhancing Diaspora Role in Job Creation in Africa**'. It was organised in partnership with African Chamber of Commerce Scandinavia (ACCS), Danish Refugee Council (DRC) and the Africa Danish Diaspora Rally (ADDR). *(DDD1 was scheduled to coincide with professional training on 24, 25 & 27 November 2014).*
- **DDD2** was held in Valletta, Malta (28 May 2015) on the theme: '**From Irregularity to Stability: Strategic and Viable Actions to Prevent Irregular and Dysfunctional Migration**'. It was organised with support from Migrant Network for Equality (MNE) and Skop Malta. *(DDD2 was scheduled to coincide with professional training on 27, 29 & 30 May 2015).*
- **DDD3** was held in Vienna, Austria (30 September 2015) on the theme: '**Migration in Times of Crises: Collective Actions and Common Obligations**'. It was organised in partnership with Radio Afrika TV and Vienna Institute for International Dialogue and cooperation (VIDC). *(DDD3 was scheduled to coincide with professional training on 28, 29 September & 1 October 2015).*
- **DDD4** was held in Paris, France (5 December 2015) on the theme: '**Climate Change, Migration and Development: How to Enhance the Impact of African Diaspora Organisations?**'. It was organised in partnership with FORIM, African Diaspora Policy Centre (ADPC) and the Association des Jeunes Guinéens de France (AJGF). *(DDD4 was scheduled during the UN Climate Change Conference [COP21]).*
- **DDD5** was held in Nairobi, Kenya (28 July 2016) on the theme: '**Actions Needed to Reduce Remittance Cost in Africa**'. It was organised in partnership with the Kenyan Ministry of Foreign Affairs and AU's African Institute for Remittances (AIR). *(DDD5 was scheduled to coincide with professional training on 26 & 27 July 2016).*
- **DDD6** was held in Piran, Slovenia (2 December 2016) on the theme: '**Migration and Integration: Actions for Inclusive Development**'. It was organised in partnership with the Institute of African Studies (Slovenia) and Humanitas Afrika (Czech Republic). *(DDD6 was scheduled to coincide with professional training on 1 December, and Community Engagement Visits on 3 December 2016).*

- **DDD7** was held in Brussels, Belgium (9 November 2017) on the theme: “**Diaspora Participation in Formal Institutions in Africa and Europe**”. It was organised in partnership with the AU’s Citizens and Diaspora Directorate (CIDO) & Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Senegalese Abroad. (*DDD7 was scheduled to coincide with professional training on 7 November and ADEPT’s First General Assembly on 8 November 2017*).
- **DDD8** was held in Dakar, Senegal (26 April 2018) on the theme ‘**Expanding and Enhancing the Role of Diaspora Parliamentarians**’. It was organised in partnership the Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Senegalese Abroad and Coordination des Associations Sénégalais de la Catalogne (Spain). (*DDD8 was scheduled to coincide with professional training for Senegalese Diaspora Members of Parliament on 24 April, Peer-to-Peer Exchange on 25 April, and Senegalese government presentation of Diaspora programmes on 27 April 2018*).

You can find more information [here](#)

## EUROPEAN DEVELOPMENT DAYS (EDD)

For its twelfth edition, EDD 2018 will aim at bringing together the European Union’s commitment to gender equality and women’s empowerment with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Gender equality and women empowerment are at the core of European values and enshrined within the EU’s legal and political framework. This is why the event will focus on the vital role of women and the need for their full and equal participation and leadership in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

Under the main thread of ‘Women and Girls at the Forefront of Sustainable Development: protect, empower, invest’, the EDD 2018 agenda will be framed by three major themes emerging as key priorities in today’s current context: ‘Ensuring the physical and psychological integrity of Girls and Women’, ‘Promoting economic and social rights and empowerment of Girls and Women’, ‘Strengthening Girls’ and Women’s voice and participation’.

You can find more information [here](#)

## ADEPT AT EDD 2018

For EDD 2018, ADEPT facilitated and coordinated the participation of **Honourable Dr. Isatou Touray**, Minister of Trade, Industry, Regional Integration and Employment, Republic of The Gambia in two High Level Panels. ADEPT is the co-organiser of the **High level Panel - Auditorium (A2) on ‘Women and Girls on the Move: Towards Safer Work and Migration for Women - Assessing Determinants of Vulnerability and Women’s Empowerment through Migration’**; with Dr Touray as Keynote Speaker; Wednesday, 6 June 2018, 09.30 to 11.00. The lead organiser is the Swiss Government (SDC) and the partners IOM, UN Women, ILO and Migrant Forum Asia. ADEPT also facilitated Dr Touray’s participation as a panels on the **High Level Panel - Auditorium (A3) on ‘Raising women’s participation in decision-making: engaging men as change agents - Mobilising more men as allies to promote gender balance in leadership’**; Tuesday, 5 June 2018, 14.00 to 15.30. The organiser of this HLP is the European Commission, DG Justice.

ADEPT has been an active part of EDD since 2015. It has previously co-organised Lab Debates and Brainstorming Sessions and held Exhibition Stands in the EDD Village. Every year, ADEPT sponsors and enables many African Diaspora Development Organisations (including first-timers) to be part of the learning, networking and development interaction which EDD provides. In 2015 as part of European Year for Development (EYD), the ADEPT Executive Director was part of the High Level Panel on Migration and Development.

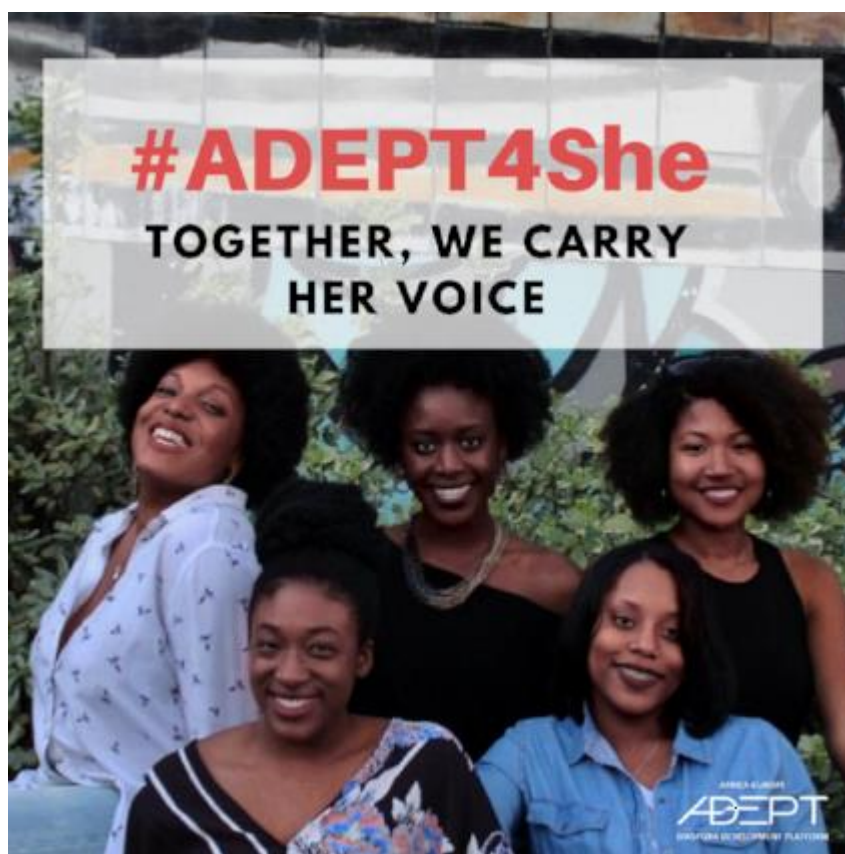
## #ADEPT4SHE CAMPAIGN

The voice of diaspora women contributing to sustainable development is often overlooked or silenced. However, it is hard to deny the big part played by these change-making women, bringing every day solutions to empower and benefit an entire community.

In prevision of the ninth edition of the Diaspora Development Dialogue, the ADEPT Platform launches **#ADEPT4SHE**, a campaign aimed at demonstrating and promoting the importance of women within the diaspora and their contribution to sustainable development projects in Europe and Africa.

Together, let's give more visibility to women! Let's carry their voices, let's support these women active within and beyond ADEPT's network.

Adept will be carrying on the campaign before and during the DDD9. Based on social networks, such as Twitter, Facebook and Instagram, the action will allow people from all horizons to engage in an interactive way, thus showing their support and motivation to empower women.



# AGENDA OF THE NINTH DIASPORA DEVELOPMENT DIALOGUE (DDD9)

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Tuesday, 5 June 2018 1pm – 6pm

**13.00 – 14.00 REGISTRATION / SNACKS**

**14.00 – 15.30 SCENE SETTING & OPENING REMARKS**

#### Empowering Diaspora African Women to Lead:

*What is the history, rationale, current status and future prospects of Diaspora African Women's equal participation and leadership status in politico-economic and socio-cultural decision-making?*

**Welcome & Opening:** Ms. Khady SAKHO NIANG, President, ADEPT and Ms. Marie-Jeanne OMARI, project officer, Trivision Impacts

**Discussant:** Ms. Modi NTAMBWE, Chair of RVDAGE-SVAV Federation of African Associations of Flanders, Chair of the Réseau des Femmes Immigrées et d'origines étrangères ReFI-oe

#### Speakers:

**Mr. Peter MOORS**, Chief of Staff Development Policy, Ministry Development Policy, Ministry of Development Cooperation, Digital Agenda, Telecom and Postal Services *(to be confirmed)*

**Ms. Malin FRANKENHAEUSER**, Head of Policy, International Centre for Migration Policy Development

**Ms. Gisèle MANDAILA**, Etterbeek Communal Counsellor

**Ms. Awa NDIAYE**, President, Espace Afrique International *(to be confirmed)*

**Mr. Alexis NEUBERG**, Vice-President of ADEPT, Founder and chair of Radio Africa TV

**Moderator:** Ms. Fatumo FARAH, Member of ADEPT's BOT, Executive Director, HIRDA Foundation

**15.30 – 17.00 TWO PARALLEL ROUNDTABLES**

#### Dialogue with Policymakers, Practitioners & Civil Society:

*How should the diaspora improve their engagement to enhance the empowerment of Diaspora African women?  
What practical actions and initiatives should civil society, business, government, the media and other stakeholders implement to lift the obstacles to gender empowerment?*

**15.30 – 17.00 ROUND-TABLE 1: Empowering Diaspora Women in Politics and Business**  
**What are the challenges and perspectives in Africa and Europe?**

**Discussant:** Ms. Brice MONNOU, President, FECODEV

#### Speakers:

**Ms. Suzanne BELLNOUN**, President, Organisation des Femmes Africaines de la Diaspora (OFAD)

**Ms. Nafy DIAGNE**, Founder AWALEBIZ

**Ms. Marie-Thérèse NDUMBA**, President asbl Yambi Brabant Wallon

**Mr. Mbemba JABBI**, Acting Director, Africa Solidarity Centre Limited (Africa Centre)

**Ms. Mame Yacine DIOP**, Former Deputy Mayor of Vigneux Sur Seine, President of ACAS

**Moderator:** Ms. Kékéli KPOGNON, Member of ADEPT's BOT, Head of Diaspora Programme, FORWARD

**Rapporteur:** Mr. Eyachew TEFERA, Member of ADEPT's BOT, President, Institute for African Studies

**15.30 – 17.00 ROUND-TABLE 2: Women and Girls on the Move:  
What are the enablers for safer work of migrant women?**

**Discussant:** Ms. Marcelle BUGRE, Project Development Manager, FSM

**Speakers:**

**Ms. Annette NTIGNOI**, President of Collectif des Femmes Africaines du Hainaut (CFAH)

**Ms. Béatrice BASHIZI**, Director of the Caravane de la Paix et Solidarité

**Ms. Chantal Chambu MWAVITA**, President, Univers de Paix et de Développement

**Mr. Celeste UGOCHUKWU**, African Foundation for Migration and Development

**Moderation:** Debbie ARIYO, Member of ADEPT's BOT, Executive Director, AFRUCA

**Rapporteur:** Mr. Yera DEMBELE, Secretary General of ADEPT, President of FEASO organisation

**17.00 – 18.00 CLOSING SESSION & KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

**Session Moderator:** Ms. Khady SAKHO NIANG, President of ADEPT

**Short Report from Roundtables: Rapporteurs**

**DDD9 Declaration on: '*Gender and Women Empowerment - Engaging and Strengthening the Voices of African Diaspora Women*'**

**Keynote Address: Honourable Dr Isatou TOURAY  
Minister of Trade, Industry, Regional Integration and Employment, Republic of The Gambia**

**18.00 – 20.00 GROUP PHOTO & COCKTAIL RECEPTION**