



AFROMEDI
Africa Rule Maker

6th Edition

AFRODAD Media Initiative

27 - 29 May 2026 | Nairobi, Kenya

Partnering with Media to Advance Socio-Economic
Justice and Africa's Common Position on Debt

The Program



AFRICAN FORUM AND NETWORK
ON DEBT AND DEVELOPMENT



TRANSPARENCY
INTERNATIONAL
KENYA



Day 1 - Wednesday 27th May 2026

0800 – 0900 | Registration, Tea / Coffee

0900 – 1000 | Opening Ceremony

 15 Mins

Introduction of participants:

Fidelite Nshimiyimana,
Campaigns & Communication Manager, AFRODAD

 10 Mins

Logistics announcements, code of conduct

Vanessa Jaravaza, AFRODAD

 30 Mins

Welcome Remarks

Dr. Yungong Theophilus,
Int. Executive Director, AFRODAD

Diana Gichengo,
Executive Director, The Institute for Social Accountability
Member, AFRODAD East and Horn of Africa Board of Trustees

Sheila Masinde,
Executive Director, Transparency International Kenya

1000 – 1030 | Tea Break

1030 – 1215

Session 1: Africa's Debt
Landscape and the African
Common Position

 60 Mins

Speaker: Dr. Theophilus Yungong Jong

Purpose: Ground journalists in Africa's unified reform narrative.

Entails: Africa's debt context; Key outcomes of the Lomé Declaration; The African Common Position on Debt and the Africa Debt Monitoring Mechanism (ADMM); Media as a Strategic Partner in Advancing Africa's Common Position.

 45 Mins

Panel Discussion

Moderator: Caroline Njenga

Discussants:

- Winston Mwale (Malawi)
- Ameni Mejri (Tunisia)
- Miriam Mangwaya

1215 – 1315

Session 2: Natural Resources,
Extractives and Public Debt

 60 Mins

Speaker: James Kinyua, Public Finance Management,
Transparency International Kenya

Purpose: Connect debt sustainability to Africa's mineral wealth and policy choices.

Entails: Resource-backed loans and collateralised borrowing; Mining and critical minerals in debt restructuring negotiations; Revenue volatility and fiscal instability; Who benefits and who bears the cost?

1315 – 1415 | Lunch Break

1415 – 1500 | Session 2 panel discussion

Moderator: Patience Wirngo

Discussants:

- Diana Mochoge (Kenya)
- Dorcas Igonor (Nigeria)
- Nkombo Kachemba (Zambia)

1500 – 1700

Session 3: Illicit Financial
Flows, Revenue Loss and
Borrowing Dependency
(Stop the Bleeding)

 60 Mins

Speaker: Lyla Latiff (PhD)

Purpose: Position IFFs as a structural driver of borrowing needs, and proffer solutions.

Entails: Capital flight and tax avoidance; Transfer pricing in extractive industries; How revenue leakage increases debt dependency; Linking IFFs to socio-economic justice.

 30 Mins

Q&A and discussion


1700 – 1720 | Evening Tea/Coffee Break

Day 2 - Thursday 28th May 2026

0830 – 0900 | Morning Check-In & Recap

Howard Mwangi,
Campaigns & Communication Officer, AFRODAD

0900 – 1115 | Session 4: Budgets, Austerity and Socio-Economic Justice

 60 Mins

Speaker: Michael Otieno (PhD Candidate)

Purpose: Equip journalists to humanise macroeconomics.

Entails: Debt servicing vs water, health, and education spending; Gendered impacts of fiscal consolidation; Reading national budgets critically; Linking macroeconomic policy to lived realities.

 45 Mins

Panel Discussion

Moderator: Emmanuel Michael (Nigeria)

Discussants:

- Kizito Cudjoe (Ghana)
- Caroline Njenga (Kenya)
- Berta Madime (Mozambique)
- Ngala Killian (Cameroon)

1115 – 1135 | Tea Break

1135 – 1320 | Session 5: External vs Domestic Debt: Hidden Pressures on Fiscal Space

 60 Mins

Speaker: Hon. Visvin Reddy

Purpose: Expand reporting beyond external creditors to include domestic debt vulnerabilities.

Entails: Rise of domestic borrowing and treasury bills; Interest rate risks and crowding out of private sector credit; Sovereign bonds vs concessional loans; Implications for national budgets and public services.

 45 Mins

Panel Discussion

Moderator: Adama Bakayoko

Discussants:

- Catherine Mithia, AFRODAD
- Dr Diaw Abdou (Senegal)
- Ernestina Asante (Ghana)

1320 – 1400 | Lunch Break


1400 – 1600 | Session 6: Legal Review of Contractual Agreements in African Sovereign Debt

 90 Mins

Speaker: Lyla Latiff (PhD)

Purpose: Introduce a strong legal accountability lens by examining how contractual terms shape debt sustainability, state sovereignty, and public transparency.

Entails: Governing law and jurisdiction clauses (including the role of courts in New York City and London); Sovereign immunity waivers and creditor enforcement powers; Confidentiality and non-disclosure clauses in debt contracts; Collateralisation, resource-backed loans and security arrangements; Legal vulnerabilities and reform gaps in African debt agreements.

 30 Mins

Q&A and discussion

1600 – 1630 | Evening Tea/Coffee Break

Day 3 - Friday 29th May 2026

0830 – 0900 | Morning Check-In & Recap

Howard Mwangi,
Campaigns & Communication Officer, AFRODAD

0900 – 1030 | Feedback & Reflection

Reflections, Feedback and Wayforward

Ivy Gurure, MEAL Officer, AFRODAD

Fidelite Nshimiyimana,
Campaigns & Communication Manager, AFRODAD

1030 – 1100 | Tea Break

1100 – 1145 | Launch of AFRODAD Courses

Official launch remarks

Demonstration of the A-CoDD learning platform

Enrolment process and next steps

Fidelite Nshimiyimana,
Campaigns and communications manager, AFRODAD

Howard Mwangi,
Campaigns and Communication Officer, AFRODAD

1145 – 1305 | Closing Ceremony

 30 Mins

Certificates of Participation

Fidelite Nshimiyimana,
Campaigns & Communication Manager, AFRODAD

 10 Mins

Vote of Thanks

Jenice Ishimimaana,
Campaigns & Communication, AFRODAD

 40 Mins

Closing Remarks

Sheila Masinde,
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