



Year Of Return Africa - Summit 2025

Sarit Expo Center, October 15th to 16th 2025

Igniting Africa's Entrepreneurship... Fuelling Unicorns

Day 1 OCTOBER 15th

8:00 AM - 9:15 AM	Registration and Networking Breakfast - (PK) (SPONSOR DORMANS)
9:15 AM - 9:45 AM	Welcome Address Speaker: Jas Bedi (Chairman KEPSA), (PK) Speaker : Purdue University/ Kranch Diplomacy Tech Institute (Policy,Diplomacy & Technology in the 21st Century Speaker: KEBS or Tally Einav - Country Representative United Nations Industrial Development Organization (SO, JO) Speaker: H.E. Governor Mungaro - Governor of Kilifi County Opening of the Summit (JO)
9:45 AM - 10:10 AM	Keynote Address: "Expanding and Optimizing Africa's Market Reach" Speaker: Ted Josiah - JokaJok (VO)
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM	Panel Discussion: Igniting Kilifi's Full Potential: Pathways to Blue Economy Speakers: Herbert Mwachiro (Chief Tourism Officer - Kilifi County) Jas Bedi (Chairman KEPSA), Ted Josiah (Founder - JokaJok) Samwel Ombogo (CEO Media One); Micah Balucci (CEO - Abanaverse) (SPONSOR KILIFI)
11:05 AM - 12:40 PM	Panel Discussion: Breaking Glass Ceilings - Empowering Women in Business: (SPONSOR NCBA) Speakers: Ory Olindo (Writer), Jeri Muchura, Kate Nkirote (Brand Hut); Chebet Ngot (CEO Harriet's Botanicals);
12:40 PM - 1:30 PM	

	Networking & Lunch Break (PK) (SPONSOR - JAVA)
1:30 PM - 1:45 PM	Masterclass: Investment and Finance Instruments Speakers: Walter Namasake - (Financial Analyst) (WN) (SPONSOR IFC)
1:45 PM - 2:50 PM	Panel Discussion: Expanding Kenya's Creative Industry -: Production and the development of Creative Villages.. Speakers: Mr Timothy Owase (CEO Kenya Film Commission) Robert Agengo (Award-Winning Actor & Director), Wakio Mzenge (Award-Winning Stage & Screen Actor & Director), Arsema Thomas (American Actor) Mudamba Mudamba (Renowned Theatre & Film Producer) (MM) SPONSOR - FRANCE)
2:50 PM - 4:00 PM	Masterclass: Retirement Opportunities and Options in Kenya Speakers: Jody Harrow - Retired Artist and Entrepreneur (JO) (SPONSOR JODY HARROW)
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Panel Discussion: Education, Literacy and STEM Programs for Emerging Markets Olivia Kimani ++ - (Olivia Kimani SPONSORWORLD READER)
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Welcome Networking Cocktail by (MB) (Sponsor - NCBA Bank)

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DAY 2 OCTOBER 16th

8:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Morning Networking & Meetings - (K) - Sponsored by NTT Data)
9:30 AM - 9:50 AM	Keynote Address: Unlocking Potential: FDI & Investment Opportunities for the Diaspora Speakers: Robert Chiuri (PK) (One Voice Consortium) - Virtual (SPONSOR OVC)
9:50 AM - 10:15 AM	Masterclass: Leveraging on Artificial Intelligence and Robotics for Business Growth and Development. Speaker: Bayo Okusanya - (Entrepreneur and Investor) (MB) (SPONSOR PRINCETON UNIVERSITY)
10:15 AM - 11:00 PM	Presentation: Artificial Intelligence and Robotics - Final Showcase & Certificate Presentation (Case Study) Led by: Bayo Okusanya and Raymond Manguro → Student Demo → Leveraging Robotics → Q&A with the Audience → Certificate Presentation to Masterclass Participants → Insights from Engineer → Robotics Competition (Universities and schools) → (MB) (SPONSOR PRINCETON UNIVERSITY)
11:00 AM - 12:10 PM	Panel Discussion: Kingdom Business, Wisdom & Year of Return Africa Speakers: Rev. Godfrey O'Neal, Rev. Norris Henry Caribbean En-Evangelists IPMI, Rev. Hudson Mukunza IFA, Rev Peter Kegode. (SPONSOR IFA)

12:10 PM - 12:40 PM	Fireside Chat: Return to Nature - Innovating Health and Wellness for Africa's Prosperous Future Speakers: Bernard Kiraithe (Founder Kilimani Wellness) Chebet Ngok (Founder/CEO Harriet Botanicals) (GN) (SPONSOR CENTUM)
12:40 PM - 1:15 PM	Masterclass: Tech Diplomacy Tech Diplomacy Institute Semiconductor Supply Chain Space Technologies & Systems Clean Energy & Electrical Vehicles (PK - SPONSOR TDI)
1:15 PM - 1:45 PM	Networking & Lunch Break - (SPONSOR - TDI)
2:00 PM - 2:20 PM	Masterclass: A Future with Kenyan Coffee Speakers: Harun Thiongo (PK) (Barista Tv Host at Cafe Java);
2:20 PM - 2:30 PM	Panel Discussion: OPEN Speakers: OPEN
2:30 PM - 4.45 PM	Presentation: Film and Theater Masterclass - Final Showcase & Certificate Presentation (Case Study) Led by: Peter Macon (Emmy-Winning Actor & Director), Arsema Thomas (Actor) → Student Film Screening & Experience Sharing → Professional Actors Panel - Thoughts → Q&A with the Audience → Certificate Presentation to Masterclass Participants → Insights from Peter Macon and Arsema Thomas - Future Opportunities

6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
HOTELS)

Farewell Dinner (KN) (SPONSOR - ONE OF THE HOSTING

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Vipingo Ridge Beach Club - Kilifi 18th - 19th October 2025

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DAY 3 OCTOBER 18th

8:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Morning Networking & Meetings (JO) (SPONSOR KILIFI COUNTY)
9:30 AM - 9:50 AM	Keynote Address: Investing in Kilifi: Harnessing The Power of The Coast Speakers: Deputy Gov Flora Mbetsa
9:50 AM - 10:15 AM	Masterclass: Leveraging Kilifi Culture and Diversity for Entrepreneurial Growth and Development. Speaker: Lynn Farrah (Kilifi County Chief of Communications) (JO) (SPONSOR SUPERIOR HOMES)
10:15 AM - 11:00 PM	Presentation: Turning Trash to Cash - Repurposing and recycling of plastics (Case Study) (Nyambura Mungai - Abana) Led by: Flip Flop (SPONSOR FLIP FLOP) → Recycling Demo → Q&A with the Audience → Site Visit
11:00 AM - 12:10 PM	Panel Discussion: Tides of Change - How Kilifi's Creative Spaces Can Drive Kenya's Cultural Renaissance Speakers: Jody Harrow (Creative Entrepreneur - NY) Peter Macon (Actor and Visual Artist - Atlanta) Mwangi Mutethi - Kenyan Artist; Moses Mjomba - Artist (Kilifi) Olivia Kimani (SPONSOR WORLD READER)
12:10 PM - 12:40 PM	Fireside Chat: Return to Nature - Innovating Health and Wellness for Kilifi's Prosperous Future. A focus of healing environment, herbs and plants from Kilifi

	Speakers: Bernard Kiraithe (Founder Kilimani Wellness) Chebet Ngok (Founder/CEO Harriet Botanicals) (MB) (SPONSOR CENTUM)
12:40 PM - 1:15 PM	Masterclass: Tech Diplomacy Tech Diplomacy Institute ❖ Semiconductor Supply Chain ❖ Space Technologies & Systems ❖ Clean Energy & Electrical Vehicles
1:15 PM - 1:45 PM	Networking & Lunch Break - Vipingo Ridge (KN) (SPONSOR KILIFI COUNTY)
2:00 PM - 2:20 PM	Masterclass: Climate Action and Adaptation Speaker: BETTY BAKARI - Environmental Expert (JO) (SPONSOR GREEN CLIMATE FUND)
2:20 PM - 3:30 PM	Panel Discussion: CLIMATE RELATED Speakers: BETTEY BAKARI PLUS (JO) (SPONSORED BY ROCKERFELLA FOUNDATION)
3:30 PM - 4.15 PM	Tea Break and Networking (JO) (SPONSORED BY SUPERIOR HOMES)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	YORA AWARDS at Vipingo Ridge Beach Club Detailed Agenda TBC (VO) (MULTIPLE SPONSORS)



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Day 4 - Vipingo Ridge Beach Club - Kilifi 19th October 2024

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DAY 4 October 19th, 2024 - Kilifi

9:00 AM Golf Tournament - Vipingo Golf Course - Kilifi Kenya **(PK SPONSOR VIPINGO GOLF COURSE)**

9:00 AM Parrallel Program for the day

- Gedde Ruins
- Slave Routes
- Beach
- Watamu
- Marine
- Tsavo National Park
- ETC

7:00 PM Farewell Dinner For Organizers only

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