



Energizing Africa through Partnerships

Monday, October 23rd, through Wednesday, October 25th, 2017

Charlotte, North Carolina

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The Carolinas, with its 1000+ energy companies and organizations, is believed to be the largest energy economy in the eastern United States and has become an emerging leader in sourcing energy services, products and project development facilitation in sub-Saharan Africa. On October 23rd through 25th African and U.S. energy policy officials and executives engaged in the Africa – Carolinas energy trade will meet in Charlotte to learn of opportunities and develop partnerships with which to pursue projects, capital, products and services. The 2017 conference is the third annual.

The main day of the conference will provide an intensive examination of African energy trade with panels on “Where and What?”, “Who and How?”, “How to Profit and Keep It”, how to access federal services and case studies of Carolina companies successfully conducting African energy trade. The conference’s third day will consist of dozens of one on one sessions between parties interested in developing or expanding their African energy trade and African countries and companies and U.S. federal agencies and companies facilitating Africa Energy trade.

Past conference participants have observed that “Due to the Carolinas energy industry’s size and diversity and its proximity to sub-Saharan African, a considerable energy trade has developed in the past few years. African countries and companies are increasingly seeking out Carolina-based partners and this conference concentrates on increasing knowledge of opportunities and potential collaborators”. The schedule of events appears below.

DAY 1: Monday, October 23rd (Venue: Foundation for the Carolinas, 220 N Tryon St, Charlotte, NC 28202)

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Registration

3:00 pm – 5:15 pm

Welcome to Charlotte/Region Overview

5:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Dine Together in Charlotte (Attendees are matched for dinner and select their Charlotte restaurant)

DAY 2: Tuesday, October 24th (Venue: Foundation for the Carolinas: 4th Floor, 220 N Tryon St, Charlotte, NC 28202)

8:30 am – 9:00 am

Registration

9:00 am – 10:15 am

Welcome and Keynote Address

10:15 am – 11:15 am

Africa Energy Trade: Where and What?

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Africa Energy Trade: Who and How?

12:30 pm – 1:00 pm

Luncheon

1:00 pm – 1:30 pm

Keynote Address

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Africa Energy Trade: How to Profit and Keep It

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Accessing Trade Assistance

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Case Studies and Conclusion

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Reception (Venue: K&L Gates, Hearst Tower, Suite 4700, 214 N Tryon St, Charlotte, NC 28202)

DAY 3: Wednesday, October 25th Partnership “Roundtable Meetings” – Up to fourteen (14) African delegations, Federal agencies and Carolina corporations will be housed in conference rooms at K&L Gates and Parker Poe (up to seven at each

location). Others will be programmed to meet with these in 30 minute sessions (speed-networking). (Venues: Parker Poe in Three Wells Fargo Center, 401, S Tryon Street, Suite 3000, Charlotte, NC 28202 and K&L Gates in Hearst Tower, 214 N Tryon Street, Suite 4700, Charlotte, NC 28202)

8:00 am – 10:30 am **Registration and Meetings 1 through 4**
10:30 am – 11:00 am **Break – opportunity for U.S./other teams to switch venues**
11:00 am – 12:30 pm **Meetings 5 through 7**
12:30 am – 1:30 pm **Lunch**

We Thank the Companies and Organizations Serving on the Conference Steering Committee

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Central Piedmont Community College
The Charlotte Regional Partnership
E4 Carolinas
Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina
United States Export-Import Bank
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