



**DRAFT OVERVIEW PROGRAMME**

**19<sup>th</sup> RUFORUM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023**

***Theme: Transforming Higher Education to Sustainably Feed and Create Prosperity for Africa***

**Hosted by the Government of Cameroon and Cameroon RUFORUM Member Universities**

**Venue: Palais des Congrès, Yaoundé, Cameroon**

**Dates: October 28<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2023**

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<b>AGM EVENTS</b>						
TUESDAY, October 24 <sup>th</sup>	RUFORUM Staff Arrivals		RUFORUM Staff Arrivals		RUFORUM Staff Arrivals	
WEDNESDAY, October 25 <sup>th</sup>	Cameroon Higher Education Day <b>Venue:</b> Pedagogic Complex, Faculty of Medicine, University of Yaoundé 1		Cameroon Higher Education Day <b>Venue:</b> Pedagogic Complex, Faculty of Medicine, University of Yaoundé 1		Cameroon Higher Education Day <b>Venue:</b> Pedagogic Complex, Faculty of Medicine, University of Yaoundé 1	
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THURSDAY, October 26 <sup>th</sup>	Press Briefing <b>Venue:</b> Centre National de Supervision du Reseau d'Interconnection Universitaire  Delegates arrivals RUFORUM Staff arrival		LOC-ROC Meeting <b>Venue:</b> Centre National de Supervision du Reseau d'Interconnection Universitaire  Delegates arrivals RUFORUM Staff arrival		LOC-ROC Meeting <b>Venue:</b> Centre National de Supervision du Reseau d'Interconnection Universitaire  Delegates arrivals RUFORUM Staff arrival	
FRIDAY, October 27 <sup>th</sup>	Delegates arrivals		Delegates arrivals		Delegates arrivals	
SATURDAY, October 28 <sup>th</sup>	International Advisory Panel Meeting <sup>i</sup> : <a href="https://bit.ly/47y8XHO">https://bit.ly/47y8XHO</a> <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Meeting Room B</b>		International Advisory Panel Meeting: <a href="https://bit.ly/47y8XHO">https://bit.ly/47y8XHO</a> <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Meeting Room B</b>		Board Finance and Administration Committee <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Meeting Room B</b>	
	Board Audit Committee <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Complex Room A</b>		Board Audit Committee <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Complex Room A</b>			
	Technical Committee Meeting <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Meeting Room A</b>		Technical Committee Meeting <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Meeting Room A</b>			



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SUNDAY, October 29 <sup>th</sup>	Setting up posters and exhibitions <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Balcony</b>		Setting up posters and exhibitions <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Balcony</b>		Setting up posters and exhibitions <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Balcony</b>	
			Senior Government Leaders Meeting <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Meeting Room B</b>		Senior Government Leaders Meeting <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Meeting Room B</b>	
					Meeting of Intra-Africa Mobility Teams ( <b>Closed</b> ) <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Complex A</b> <a href="https://bit.ly/3QoSkaY">https://bit.ly/3QoSkaY</a>	
	<b>Field Day/Tours<sup>1</sup></b>		<b>Field Day/Tours</b>		<b>Field Day/Tours</b>	
MONDAY, OCTOBER 30 <sup>th</sup>	Principals and Deans Meeting: <a href="https://bit.ly/3OVBccg">https://bit.ly/3OVBccg</a> <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Huis-Clos</b>		Official Opening of the AGM and Scientific Conference by Cameroon Senior Government Official: <a href="https://bit.ly/3DRfC28">https://bit.ly/3DRfC28</a> <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Inaugural Hall</b>		<b>Side event TAGDev:</b> Transformative Education: Preparing young people for the workforce : <a href="https://bit.ly/3QGj9bb">https://bit.ly/3QGj9bb</a> <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: The Tripartite Room</b>	Welcome Dinner

<sup>1</sup> Field Tours to be done in conjunction with local organising committee, local government and tour operators. They are self-paid. Selected sites include Tour of Chamber of Commerce Demonstration farm and other sites to be confirmed by the local government and tour agencies.



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	Board Executive Committee meeting <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Meeting Room A</b>		Official viewing of posters/exhibitions <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Balcony</b>		Viewing of posters/exhibitions <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Balcony</b>	
TUESDAY, October 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Plenary 1: Access, equity and quality in African Higher Agricultural and Tertiary Education :</b> <a href="https://bit.ly/446G5U1">https://bit.ly/446G5U1</a> <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: The Tripartite Room</b>		Vice Chancellors Forum: <a href="https://bit.ly/3QGLing">https://bit.ly/3QGLing</a> <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Huis-Clos</b>		High Level Policy Dialogue – Transformative Higher education financing/resourcing/ partnerships: <a href="https://bit.ly/459fdnW">https://bit.ly/459fdnW</a> <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Meeting Room B</b>	Vice Chancellors Dinner  Ministerial Dinner



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	<p><b>Parallel Session 1:</b> Vice Chancellors Forum :  <a href="https://bit.ly/3QGling">https://bit.ly/3QGling</a>            Venue: Palais des Congres            Room: Huis-Clos</p> <p><b>Parallel Session 2:</b>            Transformative education: Experiences across the continent:  <a href="https://bit.ly/3OW1qeI">https://bit.ly/3OW1qeI</a>            Venue: Palais des Congres            Room: The Tripartite Room</p> <p><b>Parallel Session 3:</b></p>		<p><b>Plenary 2:</b> <i>Africa's new harvest: Preparing Africa's agriculture and related sectors to feed and grow the economy:</i>  <a href="https://bit.ly/44d1Txi">https://bit.ly/44d1Txi</a>            Venue: Palais des Congres            Room: The Tripartite Room</p> <p><b>Parallel Session 1:</b>            Regenerative agriculture:  <a href="https://bit.ly/3KHLTMU">https://bit.ly/3KHLTMU</a>            Venue: Palais des Congres            Room: The Tripartite Room</p> <p><b>Parallel Session 2:</b> Reducing</p>		<p><b>Plenary 3:</b> Accelerating economic growth: Trends, Youth, Policy and Futures:  <a href="https://bit.ly/44dDk3B">https://bit.ly/44dDk3B</a>            Venue: Palais des Congres            Room: The Tripartite Room</p> <p><b>Parallel Session 1:</b>            Smallholder agriculture: feeding and growing Africa? Case studies across the continent:  <a href="https://bit.ly/3QJzDPQ">https://bit.ly/3QJzDPQ</a>            Venue: Palais des Congres            Room: The Tripartite Room</p> <p><b>Parallel Session 2:</b> Enhancing</p>	



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	<p>Strengthening work transitions for Africa’s youth:  <a href="https://bit.ly/3OFs4Hv">https://bit.ly/3OFs4Hv</a>  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: Complex A</b></p> <p><b>Parallel Session 4:</b>            Leveraging regional and collaborative capacity for building capacity (case studies/updates) :  <a href="https://bit.ly/3qxIEAV">https://bit.ly/3qxIEAV</a>  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: Meeting Room E</b></p>		<p>food losses, evening food supply and creating market opportunities for Africa’s food systems :  <a href="https://bit.ly/45aBzFy">https://bit.ly/45aBzFy</a>  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: Complex A</b></p> <p><b>Parallel Session 3:</b> Africa’s Blue Economy: Sustainable marine and fresh water exploitation :  <a href="https://bit.ly/3DYusUI">https://bit.ly/3DYusUI</a>  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: Meeting Room E</b></p> <p><b>SIDE EVENT (Running in Parallel):</b> Digital Technologies Solutions for AI-powered Teaching and Learning in Africa (DigiTeSA):  <a href="https://bit.ly/45aBzFy">https://bit.ly/45aBzFy</a>  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: Meeting Room A</b></p>		<p>value chain functionality; methods, approaches and inclusive policy design: Experiences for VCA4D:  <a href="https://bit.ly/3OZwuKG">https://bit.ly/3OZwuKG</a>  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: Complex A</b></p> <p><b>Parallel Session 3:</b>            Continental initiatives: Lessons learnt over the years (CAADP):  <a href="https://bit.ly/3DV5WDY">https://bit.ly/3DV5WDY</a>  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: Meeting Room E</b></p> <p><b>SIDE EVENT (Running in Parallel with Scientific Sessions):</b> FAWoVC Symposium  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: Huis-Clos</b></p>	



<p>WEDNESDAY          , November          1<sup>st</sup></p>	<p><b>SIDE EVENT Official Launching (one hour)</b>          Strategic Partnerships between African Agricultural Research, Innovation, Advisory and Education Institutions (<b>FARA-RUFORUM-AFAAS- One CGIAR</b>)  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: Inaugural Hall</b>          Registration : <a href="#">Click here</a></p> <p><b>SIDE EVENT (Closed Event)</b>          Operationalisation of Abidjan II Communique (<b>FARA-RUFORUM-AFAAS- One CGIAR</b>)  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: Inaugural Hall</b>          Registration: <a href="#">Click here</a></p> <p><b>SIDE EVENT</b> Accelerating and scaling-up Africa’s climate change adaptation and mitigation actions: Experiences and lessons learned:  <a href="https://bit.ly/45mrKUQ">https://bit.ly/45mrKUQ</a>  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: The Tripartite Room</b></p>		<p><b>SIDE EVENT (Closed Event)</b>          Operationalisation of Abidjan II Communique (<b>FARA-RUFORUM-AFAAS- One CGIAR</b>)  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: Inaugural Hall</b>          Registration: <a href="#">Click here</a></p> <p><b>SIDE EVENT:</b> Accelerating and scaling-up Africa’s climate change adaptation and mitigation actions: Experiences and lessons learned:  <a href="https://bit.ly/45mrKUQ">https://bit.ly/45mrKUQ</a>  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: The Tripartite Room</b></p>		<p><b>SIDE EVENT:</b> Accelerating and scaling-up Africa’s climate change adaptation and mitigation actions: Experiences and lessons learned:  <a href="https://bit.ly/45mrKUQ">https://bit.ly/45mrKUQ</a>  <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b>  <b>Room: The Tripartite Room</b></p>	<p>Principals and Deans Dinner</p>
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					<p><b>SIDE EVENT</b> Integrating Value Chain for Development Approaches into Agricultural Higher Education in Africa <b>Venue: Palais des Congres</b> <b>Room: Meeting Room B</b> Registration: <a href="#">Click here</a></p>	
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FRIDAY, November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Meeting ROC/ LOC-Namibia <b>Room: Hotel TBC</b>  <b>Departures</b>		Meeting ROC/ LOC-Namibia <b>Room: Hotel TBC</b>  <b>Departures</b>		<b>Departures</b>	<b>Departures</b>

<sup>i</sup> Blended session