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FROM OUR FOUNDER



Her Excellency, Ambassador Arikana Chihombori Quao, M.D.

Welcome Home Dear Brothers and Sisters,

You are not African because you were born in Africa but that you are African because Africa is born in you. The Berlin Conference of 1885 saw a once powerful Africa with well established educational and religious systems, chopped up like a piece of pie into some of the smallest economies we see in Africa today. Economies that clearly cannot survive on their own. This was all by design in order to divide and conquer Africa and leave it a truly defeated and dominated continent.

Today, we have a unique opportunity to change our narratives and liberate our colonized mindset from mental slavery once and for all. I invite you to join us on this history making journey that will impact our African Diaspora for generations to come.



WHO WE ARE

ADDI, the African Diaspora Development Institute is an entity that is designed to be the bridge between all people of African descent living outside Africa (African Diaspora) and their brothers and sisters on the continent.

MISSION

- To promote unity among the African diaspora and to encourage them to participate in the development of Africa.
- To educate the African diaspora about investment opportunities in Africa
- To promote the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) to the African diaspora.

GOALS

- One million members in ADDI
- Formally represent the AU Sixth Region (people of African Descent living outside of the Continent)
- Establish a first right of refusal on contracts to build the continent of Africa.
- Establish dual citizenship for African Diasporas' living outside of the continent.
- All African Diaspora families participate in the ADDI Fund to build Africa.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

AU Commission elections for the next four-year term were held with the following leaders officially appointed on February 6th, 2021.

- **Chairperson** - Moussa Faki Mahamat. Re-elected incumbent. (TD Chad- Central Region)
- **Deputy Chairperson of the Commission** - Monique Nsanzabaganwa. (RW Rwanda - Eastern Region)

NEW COMMISSIONERS

- **Agriculture, Rural Development** - Josefa Leonel Coreia Sacko. Re-elected incumbent. (AO Angola - Southern Region)
- **Economic Development, Trade and Industry** - Albert Muchanga. Re-elected incumbent. (ZM Zambia - Southern Region)
- **Education, Science and Technology** - Elections suspended as both candidates were from the Southern Region (South Africa and Zimbabwe) since the Region already got 1 and 2. New elections with new candidates to be done during the 39th Ordinary Session in June 2021. The incumbent will continue until elections are held.
- **Infrastructure and Energy** - Candidature from Zimbabwe eliminated since Southern Region already won 1 and 2. Amani About Zeid. Re-elected incumbent. (EG Egypt)
- **Political Affairs, Peace and Security**. Candidate from South Africa eliminated since the Region already won 1 and 2. Ambassador Bankole Adenle. Elected. (NG Nigeria)
- **Social Affairs, Health**. Candidate from the Northern Region (MR Mauritania) eliminated since the region already won Infrastructure and Energy, Female. The incumbent Commissioner will continue until elections are held during the 39th Ordinary Session.

ADDI HIGHLIGHTS

- ADDI Highlights Special Sessions with Her Excellency, Ambassador Arikana Chihombori-Quao:
 - ADDI Presents Doing Business In Zambia.
 - African Women for Biden-Harris Inaugural Event.
 - Candid Conversation with the IT Digital Technology Community.
 - Introducing Social Africa to African Diaspora Engineers.
 - Introducing African Diaspora International Savings Bank (ADIS Bank) to Healthcare Workers.
 - Introducing the Oduwa Coin Pan African Digital Currency, blockchain solutions, and Cyber Security Academy.
 - Black History Month Fireside Chats.
 - A Case for Reparations; Worldwide Impact of Slavery and Colonization.
- Official Opening of the AfCFTA (African Continental Free Trade Area) January 1, 2021.
- ADDI Officials visit Wakanda City of Return, Cape Coast, Ghana.
- Her Excellency, Ambassador Arikana Chihombori-Quao named Person of the Year 2020-2021 by New Africa Business News.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Fireside Chats with Ambassador Quao discussing content from her book, Africa 101 The Wake Up Call.
- Special Sessions with Sector Leaders throughout the African Diaspora.
- A Case for Reparations: Continued Discussions for our Diaspora.

JUST FACTS

The first and still standing Black University was founded in Timbuktu. This hallowed institution is called the **University of Sankoré**. The **Sankoré** Mosque was founded in 989 AD in the country today known as **Mali**.

Mali was part of the ancient African Songhai Empire, one of the most powerful Kingdoms in the known world. It was located in the city of Timbuktu, a lynchpin in the trades of salt, gold, and other goods to the Arab, African and European powers of the time. That mosque would become known as the University of Sankoré and was so well known that it was added to maps produced in Europe.

From <https://rollingout.com/2019/02/09/black-history-month-the-oldest-university-in-the-world-is-in-africa/>

SECTOR SPOTLIGHT

ADDI Digital & Information Technology

The ADDI Information & Digital Technology Sector was introduced to the African Diaspora on January 9, 2021. ADDI Founder and CEO, Her Excellency Ambassador Arikana Chihombori-Quao, and Sector Director Jote Taddese led the sector introduction via online webinar by outlining their purpose and strategic objectives.

The Digital Technology Sector will be the cornerstone of broader ADDI objectives by mobilizing the leadership, human capital and expertise needed to implement digital technology capabilities. Leveraging new and emerging technologies accelerates the implementation of the Continental Development Plan of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)

Since its formation, the Digital Technology Sector has onboarded a Digital Network Platform called Social Africa. The mission of Social Africa is to create digital content tailored to tell the story of Africa and the Diaspora. Social Africa believes that in the next decade, the availability and use of social media platforms will be the single most predictable measure of societal and economic prosperity across Africa.

The Digital Technology Sector continues to seek out and mobilize African innovators and entrepreneurs with established digital solutions and services for the African market. In February, the ADDI IT Sector introduced a Pan-African Digital Currency and Blockchain Network called Oduwa Coins. The term Oduwa means "Roadmap to Wealth" and was founded by an African Diaspora member. During the same webinar, a new training opportunity was announced for the African Diaspora to participate in sponsoring African Youth to be trained by a partnering Cyber Security Training Academy, also founded by an African Diaspora member.

These solutions are intended to help bring economic and financial inclusion for the masses in Africa.

The Digital Technology Sector is initially focusing on the following strategic capabilities:

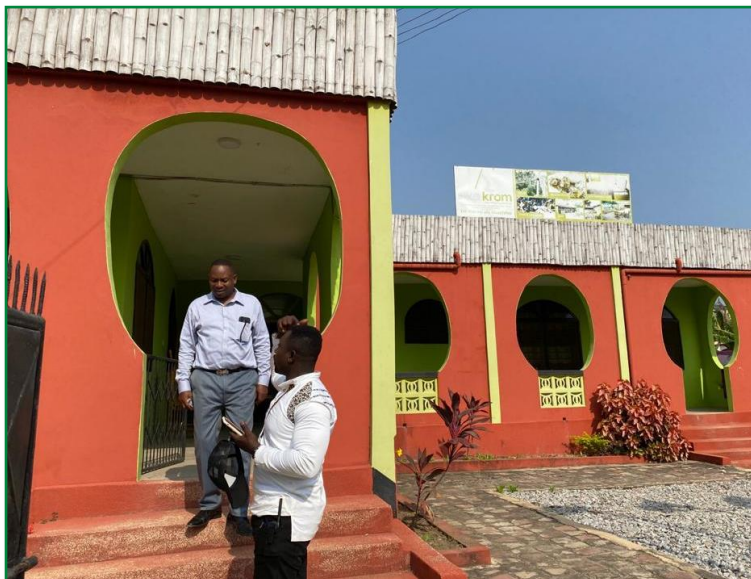
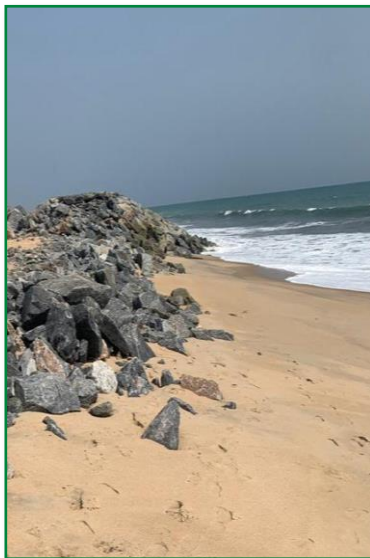
- Social Media Platforms
- Digital Banking Solutions
- Digital Currency
- Blockchain Solutions
- Gaming and Animation
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Internet Technologies
- Data Storage Technologies

For more information about the ADDI IT Sector and/or to join the IT Sector Group contact:
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EMPOWERMENT

ADDI Opens Office in Cape Coast, Ghana Future Home of the Wakanda City of Return

The new ADDI office in Cape Coast, Ghana is located on the beautiful beach front property and future home of the Wakanda Cities of Return spanning 25 acres of coastal land and 5,000 additional inland acres planned for two Wakanda smart cities. The ADDI team of Engineers, Legal, and Financiers lead by ADDI Executive Board Member and Finance Director Mr. Olivier Kamanzi.



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alone. If you want to go
far, go together.

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AFRICA 101 The Wake Up Call

On sale now! Visit <https://OurAfrica101.org>

Africa 101: The Wake-up Call is a book about the "hunters" and the "hunted." The hunters are Africa's exploiters, slavers, colonizers, and neo-colonizers, and the hunted are the African people who survived against severe odds. In this book former African Union Ambassador to the United States Her Excellency, Ambassador Arikana Chihombori-Quao, MD. tells the story of Africa in her usual in-your-face style. Although she served as a diplomat, she says that being diplomatic about the real issues facing Africa will do us no good. She warns in this book that the hunt is still ongoing and calls on Africans and people of African descent all over the world to rise up in defense of our beloved continent. Using personal stories, her father's accounts from the village of Chivu in Zimbabwe, and solid historical references, Her Excellency, Ambassador Arikana Chihombori-Quao, MD. educates, motivates, and challenges the status quo with respect to western countries' abuse of Africa. This book will challenge you to your core and move you to action.



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