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11th ANNUAL LONDON POLITICAL SUMMIT & AWARDS 2026

In Honour of the One-Year Remembrance of the

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In Memory of our Global Grand Patron

OFFICIAL THREE-DAY PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES

THEME

PAN-AFRICANISM AND THE AFRICAN UNION: THE PEOPLE, PLACE, POLITICS, POWER AND PEACE – TRADE BY PEACE AND THE RAILA ODINGA DIPLOMACY APPROACH

SUMMIT OVERVIEW

The 11th Annual London Political Summit and Awards (LPSA) 2026 is convened as a high-level international platform bringing together political leaders, parliamentarians, diplomats, mayors, governors and sub-national government leaders, traditional rulers, business executives, investors, academics, development partners, civil society representatives, media professionals and members of the African and wider international diaspora.

The 2026 Summit places particular emphasis on the relationship between peace, political stability, democratic governance, institutional accountability, trade, investment, education, innovation and sustainable economic development.

This year's edition will also commemorate the One-Year Memorial of the Late Rt. Hon. Raila Amolo Odinga, Global Grand Patron of the London Political Summit and Awards, whose contribution to Pan-Africanism, democratic governance, political dialogue, reconciliation and peace diplomacy remains an important part of the intellectual and diplomatic character of LPSA 2026.

The Summit is designed not merely as a forum for speeches and ceremonial engagements, but as a platform for dialogue, diplomacy, investment matchmaking, institutional partnerships, knowledge exchange and measurable outcomes.

SUMMIT OBJECTIVES

The 11th Annual LPSA seeks to:

1. Promote constructive dialogue on African democracy, governance and institutional accountability.
2. Advance practical approaches to peacebuilding, reconciliation and social cohesion.
3. Strengthen UK–Africa and Commonwealth political, economic and diplomatic relations.
4. Promote trade, investment and commercial partnerships between Africa and the United Kingdom.
5. Provide sub-national governments with an international platform to present investment and development opportunities.
6. Facilitate government-to-business and business-to-business engagement.
7. Promote education, artificial intelligence, technology, innovation and human-capital development.
8. Encourage meaningful diaspora participation in African economic and institutional development.
9. Facilitate investment matchmaking, strategic partnerships and potential joint ventures.

SUMMIT OBJECTIVES

10. Promote occupational safety, responsible business practice and sustainable workplace development.
11. Strengthen educational and institutional partnerships between African and UK institutions.
12. Recognise outstanding individuals and institutions demonstrating excellence in leadership, public service, diplomacy, peacebuilding, business, education and social impact.

DAY ONE

BUSINESS, TRADE, INVESTMENT & POLICY SUMMIT

Date: Monday, 12 October 2026
Time: 12:00–17:00
Venue: The Waterloo Room, Institute of Directors (IoD), 116 Pall Mall, London, United Kingdom

Business Summit Dialogue Chair:
Mr. Joel Popoola
Chair, Africa Group, Institute of Directors UK

DAY ONE THEME

"Africa–UK Trade, Investment, Enterprise and Sustainable Development: Converting Political Relationships into Economic Partnerships."

Strategic Focus

Day One brings together government representatives, sub-national leaders, diplomats, investors, business executives, financial institutions, development partners, professional advisers and diaspora business leaders to examine practical opportunities for strengthening Africa–UK trade and investment relations.

The programme is designed to move the conversation from political relationships to economic partnerships, from investment opportunities to enterprise, and from dialogue to practical deals and sustainable partnerships.

12:00–12:30 – REGISTRATION, ACCREDITATION & ARRIVAL

* Delegate registration and accreditation
* Protocol and reception arrangements
* Distribution of programme materials
* Introduction of participating delegations
* Business and institutional introductions
* Arrival refreshments

12:30–13:00 – WELCOME RECEPTION

An informal welcome reception bringing together government representatives, investors, corporate executives, diplomatic representatives, institutional partners, speakers and delegates ahead of the formal proceedings.

DAY ONE
BUSINESS, TRADE, INVESTMENT & POLICY SUMMIT

13:00–13:05 – OFFICIAL WELCOME ADDRESS

Mazi Godson Azu

Convener, London Political Summit and Awards
CEO, CaterandMerger Consult UK

The Convener will formally welcome participants and provide an overview of the Summit's objectives, international partnerships, strategic priorities and anticipated outcomes, with particular emphasis on strengthening Africa-UK relations through trade, investment, enterprise development, education and sustainable partnerships.

13:05–13:10 – OPENING REMARKS

Mr. Joel Popoola

Chair, Africa Group, Institute of Directors UK
Business Summit Dialogue Chair

Focus:
The changing Africa-UK business environment and the role of responsible corporate leadership in expanding trade, investment, enterprise development and sustainable economic partnerships.

SESSION ONE

SPECIAL BUSINESS LEADERSHIP & INVESTMENT FORUM

13:10–13:45

"Unlocking UK-Africa Trade and Investment Opportunities in a Changing Global Economy"

Distinguished Business Presenters / Panellists:

* Mr. David Smith – Chairman, BABA Consulting UK
* Ms. Leticia Moshwe – DRC Business Alliance
* Mr. Olukorede – Managing Director, FirstBank UK
* Mr. Sanjeet Manek – Founder/CEO, Sandea Wholesalers Ltd. UK
* Mr. David Feeney – CEO/Managing Director, NPES UK Ltd.
* Mr. Kanak Das Gupta – Founder & Managing Director, KGCP | Global Strategic Corporate House

Moderator:
Ms. Liz Joseph

Key Discussion Areas

* Investment opportunities across African markets
* UK-Africa commercial partnerships
* Trade facilitation and market access
* Diaspora investment and enterprise
* Infrastructure and industrial development

DAY ONE
BUSINESS, TRADE, INVESTMENT & POLICY SUMMIT

* Financial services and access to capital
* Technology, innovation and digital transformation
* Private-sector participation in sustainable development
* Natural resources and responsible investment
* Investor confidence and institutional partnerships
* Creating practical pathways from opportunity identification to investment

SESSION TWO

BUSINESS LEADERSHIP & ENTERPRISE PARTNERSHIP FORUM

13:45–14:20

"From Opportunity to Enterprise: Building Sustainable Cross-Border Partnerships"

Business and Enterprise Presenters:

* Ms. Christabel Blanche – Alvan Blanche, Agro-Processing
* Ms. Stella Okuzu – Royal Africa Society
* Ms. Katrina A. Prentice – Founder/Chairwoman, Zak Health
* Dr. Mohammed Azharuddin Chauhan – Principal Dentist & Founder, 1 Kings Dental Care, London
* Mr. Mishra – Managing Director, UBA UK
* Mr. Omar Hussain – CEO, Ilmora Holding UK
* Chief Ibrahim Dende Egungbohun (IBD Dende) – Chairman/CEO, IBD Group International

Moderator:
Mr. Juan Cabrera
Co-Founder, Euroyen Group
Co-Chair, Natural Resources Group, Institute of Directors UK

Focus

A focused business leadership session examining how entrepreneurs, corporations and investors can convert identified opportunities into sustainable commercial partnerships across Africa and the United Kingdom.

Key Areas

* Entrepreneurship and enterprise development
* Corporate and institutional partnerships
* ESG and responsible investment
* Innovation and technology
* Supply-chain development
* African enterprise competitiveness
* UK market access
* Cross-border investment structures
* Private-sector-led development
* Building sustainable and scalable partnerships

14:20–15:00 – TEA/COFFEE & NETWORKING BREAK

An opportunity for delegates to network, exchange contacts, hold informal bilateral discussions and prepare for the Sub-National Government Investment & Development Forum.

DAY ONE
BUSINESS, TRADE, INVESTMENT & POLICY SUMMIT

SESSION THREE

SUB-NATIONAL GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT & DEVELOPMENT FORUM

15:00–15:20

"Sub-National Governments as Engines of Trade, Investment and Sustainable Development"

SPECIAL STATE GOVERNMENT PRESENTATION

His Excellency Rev. Fr. Dr. Hyacinth Iormem Alia

Executive Governor of Benue State, Nigeria

Subject to Confirmation

Presentation Theme:

"Benue State: Agriculture, Food Security, Education, Human Capital and Investment Opportunities."

Key Areas

* Agriculture and food security
* Agro-processing and value-chain development
* Education and human-capital development
* Infrastructure development
* Youth employment and skills
* Industrial development
* Investment opportunities
* UK–Benue institutional partnerships
* Diaspora investment
* Public-private partnerships

15:20–15:30 – SECOND SUB-NATIONAL GOVERNMENT PRESENTATION

His Excellency Ahmad Aliyu Sokoto, FCNA

Executive Governor of Sokoto State, Nigeria

Presentation Focus:

"Sokoto State: Development Priorities, Investment Opportunities and Prospects for UK Institutional and Commercial Partnerships."

The presentation will highlight the State's development priorities, investment opportunities, economic sectors and potential areas for cooperation with UK businesses, investors, institutions and development partners.

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SESSION FOUR

DIPLOMATIC BUSINESS & GOVERNMENT–PRIVATE SECTOR DIALOGUE

15:30–16:00

"Building Effective Diplomacy for Partnerships and Cooperation Between Government and the Private Sector"

Invited Diplomatic Representatives

High Commissioners / Heads of Trade & Investment Sections:

* Ghana High Commission
* The Gambia High Commission
* Sierra Leone High Commission
* Tanzania High Commission
* Ethiopia Embassy/High Commission

Moderator:

Ambassador Dr. Josephine Ojiambo

Former Deputy Secretary-General of the Commonwealth

Dialogue Focus

An interactive diplomatic and business dialogue bringing together diplomatic missions, governors and government representatives, investors, business leaders, financial institutions, development partners, diaspora business representatives and professional advisers.

Objective

To identify practical mechanisms for translating government policies, diplomatic relationships and investment propositions into commercially viable partnerships, while strengthening institutional cooperation between African governments, the United Kingdom and the private sector.

Key Areas

* Trade and investment diplomacy
* Market access
* Government-to-business engagement
* Investment promotion
* Diplomatic facilitation
* Institutional partnerships
* Financing and investment structures
* Diaspora business engagement
* Public-private partnerships
* Africa–UK commercial cooperation

DAY ONE
BUSINESS, TRADE, INVESTMENT & POLICY SUMMIT

SESSION FIVE

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH LEADERSHIP FORUM

16:00 -16:10

"FROM COMPLIANCE TO COMMITMENT: TRANSFORMING WORKPLACE SAFETY GLOBALLY"

Chair:
Mr. Brian Greenaway. FOSHA, MIIRSM, FIE
Executive Director, Occupational Safety and Health Association UH

Key Areas
* Global occupational safety standards
* Workplace health and safety leadership
* Corporate responsibility
* Safety culture and organisational performance
* Professional development
* Risk management
* International standards and best practice
* Safety leadership in Africa and the UK
* Building safer and more productive workplaces

SPECIAL LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Presentation of selected Occupational Safety and Health leadership recognitions to distinguished professionals and institutions whose contributions have advanced workplace safety, professional excellence and organisational responsibility.

SESSION SIX

OPEN DIALOGUE & DELEGATE Q&A

16:10–16:20

An open interactive session providing delegates with the opportunity to engage directly with speakers, government representatives, diplomats, investors and business leaders.

Discussion Areas

* Investment opportunities and market entry
* Regulatory and policy barriers
* Trade facilitation
* Infrastructure and industrial development
* Education and skills
* Technology and innovation
* Access to finance
* Public-private partnerships
* Government-business cooperation
* Diaspora investment
* Sustainable economic development

DAY ONE
BUSINESS, TRADE, INVESTMENT & POLICY SUMMIT

SESSION SEVEN

DEAL-MATCHMAKING & STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP SESSION

16:30–16:45

"From Dialogue to Deals"

A structured business matchmaking session connecting African government delegations with UK investors, corporate institutions, business leaders, diaspora investors, development organisations and professional service providers.

Intended Outcomes

* Identification of investment opportunities
* Business-to-business introductions
* Government-to-business connections
* Joint-venture opportunities
* Strategic partnership development
* Investor and institutional referrals
* Follow-up bilateral meetings
* Development of potential investment pipelines

The session will provide a practical bridge between the discussions of Day One and subsequent business, investment and institutional engagement.

16:45–17:00 – CLOSING REMARKS

Hon. Prof. Steve Azaiki, OON

Advisory Board Member
London Political Summit and Awards

Closing reflections on the day's discussions, emerging opportunities, partnership prospects and the importance of sustained Africa–UK engagement.

17:00–17:10 – OFFICIAL GROUP PHOTOGRAPH

Featuring participating:

* Government representatives
* Business and corporate leaders
* Diplomatic representatives
* Speakers and panellists
* Institutional partners
* Award recipients
* Delegates and invited guests

17:10 – NETWORKING DRINKS RECEPTION

Informal networking, bilateral meetings, business introductions and continued engagement among participating government representatives, diplomats, investors, corporate leaders, institutional partners and delegates.

END OF DAY ONE

LPSA 2026 – PEOPLE • PLACE • POLITICS • POWER • PEACE • PARTNERSHIP • PROSPERITY

From Dialogue to Partnership.
From Partnership to Investment.
From Investment to Sustainable Development.

DAY TWO
POLITICAL SUMMIT, DIPLOMACY & PARLIAMENTARY DIALOGUE

TUESDAY, 13 OCTOBER 2026

Venue:
Special Committee Meeting Room
House of Commons
Westminster Parliament
London, United Kingdom

Parliamentary Host
Rt. Hon. Oliver Ryan MP
Member of Parliament for Burnley, Padiham and Brierfield
Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Minister for Intergovernmental Relations and European Relations, jointly in the Cabinet Office and Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

Summit Chair
Prof. Kishan Devani, BEM, FRSA

Moderator: Ms. Julie. Nerima Ojiambo

Session Time
18:00–20:00

18:00–18:10
ARRIVAL & SEATING OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

* Parliamentary accreditation
* Protocol reception
* VIP seating
* Introduction of distinguished delegations

18:10–18:20
INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Recognition and introduction of:

* Heads of Government and Ministers
* Governors
* Parliamentarians
* Ambassadors and High Commissioners
* Traditional leaders
* Business leaders
* Development partners
* Academic and institutional representatives
* Special guests

DAY TWO
POLITICAL SUMMIT, DIPLOMACY & PARLIAMENTARY DIALOGUE

18:20–18:30
WELCOME ADDRESS

Prof. Kishan Devani, BEM, FRSA
Summit Chair

18:30–18:40
PARLIAMENTARY OPENING ADDRESS

Rt. Hon. Oliver Ryan MP
Parliamentary Host

Focus

* UK parliamentary democracy
* Intergovernmental relations
* UK–Africa relations
* Commonwealth cooperation
* Democratic institutions
* International parliamentary partnerships

18:40–19:10
DISTINGUISHED GUEST ADDRESSES

Honorary Guest Speaker I

High-Level Political / Diplomatic Leader – TBC

Honorary Guest Speaker II

African Political / Institutional Leader – TBC

Core Themes

* Democracy and governance
* Pan-African cooperation
* Peace and reconciliation
* Political dialogue
* Diplomacy
* Africa–UK relations
* Commonwealth partnerships

19:10–19:30
GUEST KEYNOTE ADDRESS

"PAN-AFRICANISM, DEMOCRATIC PEACE AND ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY: BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS FOR AFRICA'S FUTURE"

DAY TWO
POLITICAL SUMMIT, DIPLOMACY & PARLIAMENTARY DIALOGUE

First Honorable Guest Speaker:
His Excellency Rev. Fr. Dr. Hyacinth Iormem Alia
Executive Governor of Benue State, Nigeria
Subject to confirmation

Second Honorable Guest Speaker:
His Excellency Ahmad Aliyu Sokoto, FCNA
Executive Governor of Sokoto State
Subject to confirmation

Third Honorable Guest Speaker:
His Excellency Malam Dikko Umaru Radda, PhD, CON
Executive Governor of Katsina State, Nigeria
Subject to confirmation

Honorable Keynote Speaker:
Honourable Sanjay Tanna
Minister of Trade, Industry and Cooperatives
Ministry of Trade, Industry and Cooperatives
Subject to confirmation

19:30–19:45
HIGH-LEVEL LEADERS' DIALOGUE

"THE PEOPLE, PLACE, POLITICS, POWER AND PEACE"
An intergenerational and cross-sector dialogue involving selected:

* Presidents and Governors
* Parliamentarians
* Diplomats
* Mayors
* Traditional leaders
* Business leaders
* Policy experts
* Development partners

Central Question
How can political leadership, peace diplomacy and economic cooperation be transformed into practical opportunities for African development and prosperity?

19:45–20:00
SPECIAL POLITICAL, DIPLOMATIC & INSTITUTIONAL AWARDS

Initial presentation of selected:

* Presidential Leadership Awards
* Governor Awards
* Parliamentary Leadership Awards
* Diplomatic Awards
* Peace and Governance Awards
* Institutional Leadership Awards

Official photographs with recipients.

20:00
CLOSE OF PARLIAMENTARY SESSION

Closing remark by our partner **Sandea Wholesales Ltd.**
Distinguished guests proceed to the designated reception arrangements.

End of Day Two

DAY THREE

EDUCATION, AI, INNOVATION, HUMAN CAPITAL & INTERNATIONAL AWARDS GALA

WEDNESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2026

Day Three combines an institutional education and innovation engagement in Cambridge with the formal LPSA International Awards Gala Dinner in London.

PART A
CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY EDUCATION & INSTITUTIONAL STUDY VISIT

Venue:
Cambridge University / Selected Faculty and Institutional Facilities
Subject to university confirmation and access arrangements

Time: 11:00–17:00

Lead
Prof. Chris Imafidon
Chair, Excellence in Education UK

Programme Theme
"Education, Artificial Intelligence, Innovation and Human Capital Development: Building Africa's Knowledge Economy."

11:00–11:30
ARRIVAL & WELCOME

* Arrival of delegates
* Academic welcome
*Welcoming Speech by Amb. Dr. Josephine Ojiambo. Summit Co-Chair
* Introduction to host institution
* Programme briefing

11:30–12:30
UNIVERSITY FACULTY & ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP MEETING

Engagement with academic leaders and institutional representatives on:

* International education partnerships
* Research collaboration
* Artificial intelligence
* Digital innovation
* Capacity development
* Faculty exchange
* Student development
* Institutional partnerships

DAY THREE

EDUCATION, AI, INNOVATION, HUMAN CAPITAL & INTERNATIONAL AWARDS GALA

12:30–13:15
STUDENT & YOUTH LEADERSHIP ENGAGEMENT

Interactive Theme

"Preparing Africa's Next Generation for the Global Knowledge Economy."

Discussion areas:
* Education and employability
* Artificial intelligence
* Entrepreneurship
* Innovation
* Global careers
* Digital skills
* Youth leadership
* Africa–UK educational cooperation

13:15–14:00
WORKING LUNCH & PARTNERSHIP DISCUSSION

Focused consideration of:

* MoUs
* Research partnerships
* Scholarships
* Faculty collaboration
* Educational technology
* Professional development
* Knowledge-transfer programmes
* International student opportunities

14:00–16:15
GUIDED INSTITUTIONAL TOUR

Delegates will visit selected university institutions and facilities, subject to university approval, availability and access arrangements.

16:15–16:45
EDUCATION & INNOVATION PARTNERSHIP SESSION

Identification of practical areas for continuing collaboration between participating African institutions, UK academic institutions, governments, businesses and development partners.

16:45–17:00
* Closing Remarks by **Professor Chris Imafidon, OBE,** Chair of the Board of Directors, Excellence in Education (EiE), University of Cambridge, United Kingdom.

* CLOSING & GROUP PHOTOGRAPH

Endof Cambridge Institutional Programme

DAY THREE

EDUCATION, AI, INNOVATION, HUMAN CAPITAL & INTERNATIONAL AWARDS GALA

PART B

LPSA INTERNATIONAL AWARDS GALA DINNER & NIGHT RECEPTION

Date: Wednesday, 14 October 2026
Time: 18:00–00:00
Venue: Copthorne Tara Hotel, London Kensington High Street, London, United Kingdom
Event: Designated LPSA International Awards Gala Dinner & Night Reception
Awards Gala Dinner Anchor: Ms. Rosé Graham

GALA EVENING THEME
"Recognising Leadership, Celebrating Partnership and Advancing Peace, Trade and Sustainable Development."

The Gala Dinner represents the ceremonial culmination of the 11th Annual London Political Summit and Awards 2026, bringing together political and diplomatic leaders, parliamentarians, governors, business leaders, investors, academics, traditional leaders, development partners, institutional partners and distinguished guests.

The evening will combine international recognition, leadership awards, diplomatic and business engagement, the One-Year Memorial Tribute to the Late Rt. Hon. Raila Amolo Odinga, partnership recognition and celebration.

18:00–18:45

VIP ARRIVAL, WELCOME RECEPTION & RED CARPET

Reception Activities

* VIP arrival and reception
* Red-carpet protocol
* Diplomatic networking
* Government and political introductions
* Corporate and business networking
* International introductions
* Arrival photography
* Media and official photography
* Guest registration and seating protocol

18:45–19:00

FORMAL OPENING & INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Procession and Introduction

Formal introduction and recognition of:

DAY THREE

EDUCATION, AI, INNOVATION, HUMAN CAPITAL & INTERNATIONAL AWARDS GALA

* Diplomats and High Commissioners
* Parliamentarians
* Governors and government representatives
* Mayors and local government leaders
* Business and corporate leaders
* Award recipients
* Academic leaders
* Traditional and community leaders
* Institutional and strategic partners
* Sponsors and supporting organisations
* Special guests

19:00–19:10

FORMAL WELCOME

London Political Summit and Awards Organising Committee

A formal welcome to the 11th Annual London Political Summit and Awards International Gala Dinner, acknowledging the presence and contribution of distinguished international delegations, government representatives, diplomatic missions, business leaders, institutional partners, speakers, award recipients and invited guests.

19:10–19:30

BOOKAID FOR AFRICA – EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP & BOOK DONATION SESSION

Led by:

Prof. Mrs. Elewechi Okike
CEO, BookAid for Africa UK

In Honour of:

His Excellency Rev. Fr. Dr. Hyacinth Iormem Alia
Executive Governor of Benue State, Nigeria
Subject to confirmation

Theme:

"Building Africa's Knowledge Economy Through Educational Partnerships and Access to Learning Resources."

Programme Elements

* Presentation by BookAid for Africa UK
* Educational-resource and book donation initiative
* Recognition of education-focused leadership
* Engagement with participating governments and institutions
* Knowledge-economy development

DAY THREE

EDUCATION, AI, INNOVATION, HUMAN CAPITAL & INTERNATIONAL AWARDS GALA

* Educational access and human-capital development
* Institutional collaboration
* Exploration of potential MoUs and partnership opportunities

The session will highlight the importance of education, access to learning resources and institutional partnerships in supporting Africa's long-term human-capital and knowledge-economy development.

19:30–20:30

FORMAL GALA DINNER

Formal dinner service for:

* Government leaders and representatives
* Diplomats and High Commissioners
* Parliamentarians
* Governors and Mayors
* Award recipients
* Business and corporate leaders
* Academic leaders
* Traditional leaders
* Institutional partners
* Sponsors
* Distinguished guests

Background music and formal table networking.

20:30–21:00

LPSA INTERNATIONAL AWARDS PRESENTATION

The LPSA International Awards recognise distinguished leadership, institutional contribution, professional excellence, enterprise development, diplomacy, social impact, innovation and service to communities and international cooperation.

A. POLITICAL & GOVERNANCE LEADERSHIP

* Africa President of the Year
* Democratic Peace Leadership Award
* Transformative Governor of the Year
* Infrastructure Governor of the Year
* Humanitarian Governor of the Year
* Outstanding Public Administrator Award

B. PARLIAMENTARY LEADERSHIP

* Parliamentary Speaker of the Year
* Outstanding Parliamentarian Award
* British-Africa Parliamentary Partnership Award
* Legislative Leadership Award

C. DIPLOMATIC & PEACE LEADERSHIP

* Africa Ambassador of the Year
* Diplomat of the Year
* Embassy of the Year
* Commonwealth Diplomatic Leadership Award
* Peace Diplomacy Award

D. BUSINESS, TRADE & INVESTMENT LEADERSHIP

* Business Leader of the Year
* Trade & Investment Champion Award
* Corporate Excellence Award
* Africa-UK Business Partnership Award
* Aviation & Hospitality Leadership Award
* Emerging Entrepreneurial Leadership Award

E. EDUCATION, INNOVATION & SOCIAL IMPACT

* Education Leadership Award
* AI & Digital Innovation Leadership Award
* Diaspora Community Leadership Award
* Humanitarian & Philanthropy Award
* Youth Leadership Award
* Women's Leadership & Empowerment Award

Award categories and recipient announcements remain subject to final confirmation by the LPSA Organising Committee.

21:00-21:20

SPECIAL BUSINESS & DIPLOMATIC ADDRESSES

Short high-level addresses by selected:

* Governors and government representatives
* Ambassadors and High Commissioners
* Parliamentarians
* Business and investment leaders
* Institutional and strategic partners

Central Message:

"TRADE BY PEACE: CONVERTING DIPLOMACY INTO SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIPS."

The session will explore the relationship between peace, political stability, diplomacy, trade, investment, entrepreneurship and sustainable development.

It will reinforce the Summit's central proposition that constructive political and diplomatic relationships can help create the conditions for stronger economic cooperation, investment partnerships and sustainable development.

21:20–21:30

RAILA ODINGA MEMORIAL COMMEMORATIVE REFLECTION

"THE RAILA ODINGA LEGACY: PAN-AFRICANISM, DEMOCRACY, DIALOGUE AND PEACE"

By: A Member of the Family or Designated Representative
Subject to confirmation

A special commemorative reflection marking the One-Year Memorial of the Late Rt. Hon. Raila Amolo Odinga, Global Grand Patron of the London Political Summit and Awards.

The tribute will recognise his publicly documented contribution and association with themes central to the Summit, including:

* Pan-Africanism
* Democratic governance
* Political dialogue
* Reconciliation
* Peace diplomacy
* Regional cooperation
* African democratic development

The memorial segment will provide a moment of reflection and remembrance within the wider theme of People, Place, Politics, Power and Peace.

21:30–22:00

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH LEADERSHIP FORUM

Theme:

"From Compliance to Commitment: Transforming Workplace Safety Globally."

Chair:

Mr. Brian Greenaway, FOSHA, MIIRSM, FIET
Executive Director, Occupational Safety and Health Association UK

Key Discussion Areas

* Global occupational safety and health standards
* Workplace health and safety leadership
* Corporate responsibility
* Safety culture and organisational performance
* Professional development

* Risk management
* International standards and best practice
* Safety leadership in Africa and the UK
* Building safer, healthier and more productive workplaces

Special Investiture & Leadership Awards

Presentation of selected Occupational Safety and Health Leadership Recognitions to distinguished professionals and institutions whose contributions have advanced workplace safety, professional excellence, responsible leadership and organisational standards.

22:00–22:10

PARTNERSHIP & APPRECIATION RECOGNITION

Special recognition and appreciation of:

* Strategic partners
* Institutional partners
* Parliamentary hosts
* International Advisory Board members
* Sponsors and supporters
* Government partners
* Academic partners
* Diplomatic partners
* Supporting organisations
* Programme partners
* Volunteers and special contributors

The recognition will acknowledge the collective contribution of individuals and institutions to the successful delivery of the 11th Annual London Political Summit and Awards.

22:10–22:20

SUMMIT CHAIR'S CLOSING ADDRESS

Prof. Kishan Devani BEM, FRSA

Chair, London Political Summit and Awards

A closing reflection on the three-day programme, highlighting the importance of sustained international cooperation and the responsibility of leaders, institutions, businesses and partners to translate dialogue, relationships and commitments into practical and measurable action.

22:20–22:30

OFFICIAL LPSA 2026 CLOSING

Mazi Godson Azu

Convener, London Political Summit and Awards
CEO, CaterandMerger Consult UK

Official Declaration

"On behalf of the Board, Advisory Council, International Organising Committee, Strategic Partners and the entire LPSA family, I formally declare the 11th Annual London Political Summit and Awards 2026 concluded."

The Convener will express appreciation to participating governments, parliamentarians, diplomats, business leaders, academics, institutional partners, sponsors, speakers, award recipients, delegates and supporters.

Closing Message:

PEOPLE • PLACE • POLITICS • POWER • PEACE • PARTNERSHIP • PROSPERITY

22:30–22:45

OFFICIAL GROUP PHOTOGRAPH & DEPARTURE PROTOCOL

Official photographs featuring:

* Award recipients
* Political and government leaders
* Diplomats and High Commissioners
* Parliamentarians
* Business leaders
* Academic partners
* Sponsors
* Strategic and institutional partners
* Distinguished guests
* LPSA Organising Committee

Formal departure protocol for VIPs and distinguished guests.

22:45–00:00

MUSIC, CELEBRATION, DANCE & NETWORKING NIGHT RECEPTION

The formal programme transitions into an informal celebration and networking reception.

Activities

* Music and entertainment
* Celebration dance
* Informal networking
* Business and diplomatic introductions
* Bilateral conversations
* Final photographs
* Appreciation and farewell engagements

END OF THE 11TH ANNUAL LONDON POLITICAL SUMMIT AND AWARDS 2026

LPSA 2026

PEOPLE • PLACE • POLITICS • POWER • PEACE • PARTNERSHIP • PROSPERITY

From Dialogue to Partnership.
From Partnership to Investment.
From Peace to Trade.
From Education to Innovation.
From Leadership to Sustainable Development.

EXPECTED SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS

The 11th Annual LPSA is designed to convene a distinguished international audience comprising:

Political & Government Leaders
* Heads of State and Government
* Governors
* Ministers
* Senior government officials
* Mayors
* Local and regional government leaders

Parliament & Diplomacy
* Members of the UK Parliament
* African Parliamentarians
* Speakers of State Legislatures
* Ambassadors
* High Commissioners
* Diplomatic representatives

Traditional & Community Leadership
* Traditional rulers
* Community leaders
* Diaspora organisations
* Cultural institutions

Business & Investment
* CEOs and corporate executives
* Investors
* Trade representatives
* Financial institutions
* Entrepreneurs
* Professional associations

EXPECTED SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS

Education & Development
* Universities
* Researchers
* Academic leaders
* Development partners
* Think tanks
* Civil-society organisations

Youth, Women & Diaspora
* Youth leaders
* Women leaders
* African diaspora organisations
* Professional networks
* Community development organisations

International Media
* Print and digital media
* Television and radio
* International correspondents
* African and UK media organisations

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EXPECTED SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS

Education & Development
* Universities
* Researchers
* Academic leaders
* Development partners
* Think tanks
* Civil-society organisations

Youth, Women & Diaspora
* Youth leaders
* Women leaders
* African diaspora organisations
* Professional networks
* Community development organisations

International Media
* Print and digital media
* Television and radio
* International correspondents
* African and UK media organisations

EXPECTED SUMMIT OUTCOMES

The LPSA 2026 is deliberately structured to move beyond ceremonial dialogue towards practical outcomes.

The Organising Committee will seek to document and facilitate:

A. POLITICAL & DIPLOMATIC OUTCOMES
* Strengthened Africa-UK dialogue
* New diplomatic relationships
* Peace and governance initiatives
* Parliamentary engagement
* Commonwealth cooperation
* Political and institutional partnerships

B. BUSINESS & INVESTMENT OUTCOMES
* Investment leads
* Business introductions
* Trade opportunities
* Government-private sector partnerships
* Joint-venture opportunities
* Investment matchmaking
* Strategic commercial partnerships

C. EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES
* University partnerships
* Research collaboration
* Scholarship opportunities
* Book donation initiatives
* AI and digital education partnerships
* Faculty and institutional collaborations

D. DEVELOPMENT OUTCOMES
* Infrastructure partnerships
* Agricultural development
* Food-security initiatives
* Human-capital development
* Youth empowerment
* Community development
* Technology and innovation partnerships

EXPECTED SUMMIT OUTCOMES

E. OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY OUTCOMES

* Strengthened workplace safety awareness
* Professional partnerships
* International knowledge exchange
* Corporate safety leadership
* Improved occupational health and safety practices

F. RECOGNITION OUTCOMES

To celebrate individuals and institutions whose leadership demonstrates measurable contributions to:

Peace • Democracy • Governance • Development • Business • Education • Diplomacy • Innovation • Community • Investment

ORGANISATION & PARTNERSHIP STRUCTURE

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Guests, Award nominees, and Speakers

Here are some of expected Guests, Award nominees, and Speakers, and more to be comfirmed.

H.E. Dr. William Samoei Ruto
President of the Republic of Kenya

H.E. John Dramani Mahama
President of the Republic of Ghana

H.E. Professor Arthur Peter Mutharika
President of the Republic of Malawi

His Excellency Ahmad Aliyu Sokoto, FCNA
Executive Governor of Sokoto State

H.E. Rev. Fr. Dr. Hyacinth Iormem Alia
Executive Governor of Benue State, Nigeria

H.E. Dr. Dikko Umaru Radda, Ph.D., CON
Executive Governor of Katsina State, Nigeria

Mayor Jason Perry
Executive Mayor of Croydon, London, United Kingdom

The Hon. Shirley Ayorkor Botchwey
Secretary-General
Commonwealth of Nations

Her Excellency Dr. Fatou Bensouda
High Commissioner of the Republic of The Gambia, London

H.E. Mrs. Sabah Zita Benson
High Commissioner of Ghana to the United Kingdom

The Rt. Hon. Elvert Ayambem Ekom
Speaker, 10th Cross River State House of Assembly

Prof. Mrs. Erinma Bell, MBE, DL
Deputy Lieutenant of Greater Manchester

Chief Ibrahim Dende Egungbohun (IBD Dende)
Chairman/CEO
IBD Group International

Her Excellency, Mrs. Diezani Alison-Madueke, CON
Former Minister of Petroleum Resources

Hon. Eli Ankala Bako
Chairman, Committee on Finance, Plateau State House of Assembly

Hon. Joseph Gomos Gokum
Majority Leader, Plateau State House of Assembly

Guests, Award nominees, and Speakers

Dr. Mrs. Adeola Fasubaa
Director General
Ekiti State Diaspora Relations Office
Ekiti State Government

Dr. Alistair Soyode
Chairman, BEN Television

Mr. Sean Zvandasara
Founder & CEO, Renowned Homes

Professor Chris Imafidon, OBE
Chair, Board of Directors
Excellence in Education (EiE)
University of Cambridge

The Voice Magazine / VoiceNews Media Publications
Renowned Homes UK

With many other distinguished guests to be confirmed.

STRATEGIC PARTNERS

The Summit is convened in collaboration with:

- **CaterandMerger Consult UK**
- **C&M Centre for Leadership and Good Governance UK**
- **BookAid for Africa UK**
- **Excellence in Education UK**
- **Occupational Safety and Health Association UK**
- **Institute of Directors UK and participating professional networks**
- **Participating African governments**
- **Diplomatic missions**
- **UK parliamentary stakeholders**
- **Corporate organisations**
- **Academic institutions**
- **Development partners**
- **International organisations**
- **Media partners**

THE LPSA 2026 LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

The 11th Annual London Political Summit and Awards is founded on a simple but consequential proposition:

Peace creates the environment for trade. Good governance creates confidence for investment. Education creates capacity. Innovation creates opportunity. Responsible leadership converts opportunity into sustainable development.

LPSA 2026 therefore seeks to build practical bridges between:

Politics and Business
Government and Citizens
Africa and the United Kingdom
Diplomacy and Development
Peace and Prosperity
Education and Innovation
Today's Leaders and the Next Generation

The Summit's ambition is to transform dialogue into relationships, relationships into partnerships, and partnerships into measurable outcomes.

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