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ICCIA REGIONAL FORUM

MICROFINANCE IN AFRICA
"PROMISING OPPORTUNITIES AND AN INNOVATIVE MODEL"

•• DECEMBER 19-20, 2022

In the midst of the unfolding global issues facing all mankind and affecting the global economic conditions, the concept of microfinance has become the focus of concern of the leaders and decision makers at all levels, as an effective mechanism and an indispensable approach to reduce unemployment rates and alleviate poverty experienced by both individuals and societies, thereby advancing economic development.

Out of ICCIA's belief in the dire need to take all appropriate measures that ensure that all members of society receive equitable shares of resources and services of various types, as well as supporting the engagement of vulnerable groups in economic activities through their access to innovative and accessible financing methods that contribute to the development of their small projects and raise their standard of living, ICCIA is organizing this regional forum entitled "Microfinance in Africa - Promising Opportunities and an Innovative Model", on December 19-20, 2022, in Nouakchott, Islamic Republic of Mauritania.

The forum will be held under the auspices of the First Lady of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, in partnership with the Ministry of Social Affairs, Children and Family of Mauritania, the Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture of Mauritania (CCIAM), Albaraka Forum for Islamic Economy and ICCIA Training Academy, aiming to highlight the importance of ICCIA's project to establish microfinance institutions in the G5 Sahel countries, elaborating the project's work plan, as well as encouraging various government entities, international institutions, chambers of commerce, entrepreneurs and experts to participate in the project, in order to promote the concept of microfinance and highlight its importance in advancing the global economic growth.

In the global pursuit of sustainable development, the forum aims to review ICCIA's sustainable model to encourage the chambers to emulate and benefit from it, as well as promoting ICCIA's "Green Wagf" initiative to create a sustainable economic climate worldwide.

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FIRST DAY

AGENDA

| FIRST DAY | PARTICIPANTS | TIME |
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| HOST OF THE FORUM | MS. HOURIYA MOULAYE IDRISS TV ANCHOR | 10:00 – 10:05 |
| OPENING CEREMONY | H.E MR. AHMED BAB OULD ALEH President of the Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry of the G5 Sahel countries President of the Mauritanian Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture H.E. MS. SAFIYA BINT INTAH Minister for Social Affairs, Children and Family of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania H.E. MR. YOUSEF KHALAWI Secretary—General of ICCIA H.E. AMBASSADOR TAREK ALI BEKHIT Assistant Secretary General for Humanitarian, Cultural and Social Affairs of the OIC | 10:05 – 10:30 |
| SIGNING THE GREEN WAQF TRIPARTITE AGREEMENT | The Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture With Ministry of Agriculture of Mauritania & Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture of Mauritania | 10:30 – 10:55 |
| GROUP PHOTO | | 10:55 – 11:00 |
| FIRST SESSION "Recent Trends and Global Indicators of Microfinance" | DR. ABDEL RAHMAN EL HELW Finance Expert and Director of Abwab Consulting Office, Casablanca Moderator: Dr. Moulaye Abdulkader Moulaye Ismail Professor at the University of Nouakchott | 11:00 – 12:00 |

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| SECOND SESSION "ICCIA's Innovative Microfinance Model" | DR. MOHAMED IBRAHIM CCEO of ICCIA Holding Company And AlBaraka Forum for Islamic economy Moderator: Mr. Saleck Ould Jeireb Director of Studies, Cooperation and Follow-up in Mauritania | 12:00 – 01:00 |
| | BREAK | 01:00 – 01:30 |
| THIRD SESSION "Successful Experiences in Microfinance" Experiences of International Institutions | H.E. DR. SIDI OULD TAH Director General of the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA) MR. MANSOUR NDIAYE Resident Representative in Mauritania United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) MR. AMINE MOUAFFAK Resident Country Program Officer - Mauritania African Development Bank Moderator: Mr. Souleymane Mamoudou Thioub Director-General of "Al-Ibdaa" Bank for microfinance, Mauritania | 01:30 - 02:30 |
| | BREAK | 02:30 – 03:00 |
| CLOSED-DOOR MEETING | The Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture With the Chambers of Commerce and Industry of the G5 Sahel countries | 03:00 - 04:30 |
| Side event on the sidelines of the regional forum Lecture under the title: Islamic Economy and Future Prospects in Africa | H.E. MR. YOUSEF KHALAWI Secretary-General of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture Moderator: Mr. Souleymane Mamoudou Thioub Director-General of "Al-Ibdaa" Bank for microfinance, Mauritania | 05:00 - 06:00 |

SECOND DAY

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| "Islamic financing Developmental Formulas" | DR. MOHAMED IBRAHIM CEO of ICCIA Holding Company And AlBaraka Forum for Islamic Economy Dr. Moulaye Abdulkader Moulaye Ismail Professor at the University of Nouakchott | 10:00 – 11:30 |
| | BREAK | 11:30 – 12:00 |
| "Sustainable ChamberModel" | MS. PASSENT WAGUIH Officer, Member Relationa Management Department, ICCIA Moderator: Mr. Saleck Ould Jeireb Director of Studies, Cooperation and Follow-up in Mauritania | 12:00 – 01:00 |
| | BREAK | 01:00 – 01:30 |
| "Green Waqf Initiative" | MR. AHMED KHATER Communications Associate, ICCIA Moderator: Mr. Abdullah Ould Baba Ziyad Director of Planning, Cooperation, Follow up and Evaluation at Ministry of Agriculture of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania | 01:30 – 02:30 |
| | BREAK | 02:30 – 02:45 |
| Follow up meeting of the microfinance project | ICCIA with the National Committees of the G5 Sahel countries and representative of OIC | 02:45 – 04:00 |
| ICCIA Secretary (| 04:00 - 05:00 | |





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