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## THE SECOND ANNUAL AFRICAN OUTREACH PROGRAM: Developing The African Continent: Who is in Charge?

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## GENERAL INFORMATION:

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### REGISTRATION:

Registration forms for the Conference will be available at the Gaborone Sun Hotel on Tuesday August 19TH, 2008.

### SESSION LOCATION:

All sessions, will be held in the Gaborone Sun Hotel Conference Rooms 3 and 4.

### LUNCH, TEA AND DINNER:

Unless otherwise indicated, all events will take place at the Gaborone Sun Hotel.

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**Professor Balefi Tsie**, Dean of Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Botswana, Gaborone, Botswana. [Luncheon Speaker, August 20.](#)

**Dr. Tina Dooley-Jones**, Chief Regional Economic Growth Office , USAID/Southern Africa. [Luncheon Speaker, August 21.](#)

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## PROGRAM

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19TH, 2008

**OPENING SESSION — Gaborone Sun Hotel , Rooms 3, 4**

**4.00 PM—5.00 PM**

Reception

**5.00 PM—5.30 PM**

**Welcoming Remarks**

Professor Attiat F. Ott, President  
The Institute for Economic Policy Studies

Professor Frank Youngman  
Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic Affairs), University of Botswana

Dr. M. Dickson Lecha  
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**5.30 PM—7.00 PM**

**"The Role of the University, Elites and Experts in Development: A Recorded Interview with Clark University President, Dean of Graduate Studies and The Chair of The Economics Department".**

**7:00 PM—8.30 PM**

Dinner



## INTERVIEW SPEAKERS



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11:30 PM–12:30 PM

**LUNCHEON SPEAKER**

**Dr. Tina Dooley-Jones**, Chief Regional Economics Growth Officer  
USAID/Southern Africa

12:30 PM–2:15 PM

**LUNCH**

2:15 PM–3:30 PM

**AFTERNOON SESSION**

**Conference Participants Comment's**

On Interview Recorded at Clark University June 12TH, 2008 and  
The Honorable Dr. Joseph Pare, Recorded Keynote Speech at Clark  
University, Worcester, Massachusetts, USA on July 20TH, 2006.

Discussion Leader: Professor Balefi Tsie, Dean of Faulty of Social Sciences

3:30 PM–5:00 PM

**FAREWELL RECEPTION**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20TH

**MORNING SESSION**

9:00 AM–10:30 AM

**"The Role of the African University in the Economic and Social Development  
of the African Continent"**

**Video Presentation**

**The Honorable Dr. Joseph Pare**, Minister of Secondary and Higher Education  
and Scientific Research of Burkina Faso. **"The Role of the African University in  
Development"**, Recorded Keynote Speech at Clark University, Worcester,  
Massachusetts, USA on July 20TH, 2006.

Dr. M. Dickson Lecha, "Defining the Functions of Higher Education in Nation  
Building."

**Discussion and Comments**

Discussion Leaders: Dr. Makhala and Professor Attiat F. Ott

10:30 AM–10:45 AM

**REFRESHMENT BREAK**

10:45 AM–12:30 PM

**"Experts and Elites in the African Development"**

Dr. Mogalakwe, "The Making of a Foreign Labor Aristocracy in Botswana"  
Log Radithokwa, "Collaboration Between University Intellectuals and  
Governments"

**Discussion and Comments**

Discussion Leaders: Dr. Querido and Dr. Sebina

12:30 PM–1:30 PM



**2:30 PM–3:45 PM**

**AFTERNOON SESSION**

**What Role Do the African Intellectuals Play?**

Dr. Makgala, "Academia and Free Speech."

Dr. Tiro Sebina, "Critical Contribution of Intellectuals in Development"

Discussion Leaders: Dr. Dolgopolov and A. Van Niekerk

**3:45 PM–4:00 PM**

**REFRESHMENT BREAK**

**4:00 PM–5:30 PM**

**"Selected Issues and Case Studies"**

Dr. Querido, "Why are there so much Violent Conflicts in Africa? A Game Theoretic Approach"

Dr. Maundeni, "Weak Developmental States in Africa"

Discussion Leader: N. Bissessar and I.S. Malila

**6:00 PM–8:00 PM**

**DINNER**



**THURSDAY, AUGUST 21ST**

**MORNING SESSION**

**9:00 AM–10:30 AM**

**"Selected Issues and Case Studies" (Continued)**

A. Van Niekerk, "African Policy Reform and De-Marginalization: The 'Complementary Challenge'"

Dr. Warner, "Child Labor Issues in Botswana"

Dr. Dolgopolov, "Assessing Institutional Effectiveness of Higher Education: Career-Oriented versus Traditional"

Discussion and Comments

Discussion Leader: Eva Atlang and Professor Attiat F. Ott

**10:30 AM–10:45 AM**

**REFRESHMENT BREAK**

**10:45 AM–11:30 PM**

**"Selected Issues and Case Studies" (Continued)**

Professor Attiat F. Ott, "Is Economic Integration the Solution to African Development?"

N. Bissessar, "Does Corruption Persist in Sub-Saharan Africa: An Assessment"

Discussion and Comments

Discussion Leader: Dr. Dittrich and Dr. Lecha