

**AGENDA: AGOA Working lunch Discussion**  
**Thurs. Oct 24 | The Monocle Restaurant, DC | 12-2PM EST**

I.	Welcome -- Commence Buffet Lunch	Rosa Whitaker (8 Mins)
II.	Opening Insights	H.E. Monique Nsanzabaganwa (3 mins) Deputy Chairperson, African Union Commission
III.	The AGOA Alliance: Profile & Purpose	Tim Stewart (3 Mins)
IV.	Knowledge-Sharing: The New AGOA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ “The Past is Prologue:” Building AGOA for the Future</li> <li>○ Investment Incentives/Enterprise Zones</li> <li>○ Critical Minerals/ Energy Transition</li> </ul>	<p>Rosa Whitaker, Moderator</p> <p>US: A. Mark Neuman, Counselor &amp; Advisor, Global Strategies, Victoria’s Secret (3 mins)</p> <p>Africa: Dr. Edem Adzogenu, Africa: Dr. Edem Adzogenu, Chair, African Cotton &amp; Textile Industries Federation (ACTIF)/President, AfroChampions (3 mins)</p> <p>Lead Discussant (4 mins each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dr. Witney Schneidman, Nonresident Senior Fellow, Africa Growth Initiative in the Global Economy and Development Program, Brookings.</li> </ul> <p>Open Discussion (8 Mins)</p> <p>Lead Discussant (4 Mins)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dr. Zainab Usman, Founding Director, Africa Program, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace</li> </ul> <p>Open Discussion (6 Mins)</p>
V.	Perspectives from “The Hill” and Open Discussion	Congressional staff (25 Mins)
VI.	SMART “Trade-Enabling” Aid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ AfCFTA</li> <li>✓ Digital Economy</li> <li>✓ US Diaspora Dividend</li> </ul>	<p>Lead Discussants (2 Mins Each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ US: Hon. Florie Liser, President &amp; CEO, Corporate Council on Africa</li> <li>○ Africa: Babajide Sodipo, Senior Manager, AU/AFCFTA Relations and Trade Policy.</li> <li>○ US: Steve Lande, President, Manchester Trade Ltd.</li> <li>○ Diaspora: Mel Foote, President, Constituency for Africa</li> </ul>
VII.	Next Steps	Tim Stewart, Jim Link (2 Mins)
VIII.	Closing Leadership Insights & Adjournment	3-Minutes Each: Africa: Dr. Prof. Benedict Oramah, President & Chairman, Afreximbank

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