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### 7th ICAN UK INTERNATIONAL ACCOUNTANTS' CONFERENCE

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The 7<sup>th</sup> UK District's International Accountants' Conference, 2020 promises to be spectacular! It has been tagged "Conference with a BIG BANG" and we assure you that if you are not attending, you will be missing out real BIG!!!

The theme of the conference is "Free Trade Area, Digital Economy: New Dawn for Africa" and we have a line-up of very erudite and seasoned Professionals to speak during the two days of 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of March 2020, with Sightseeing and Gala Night on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> of March 2020 to round up the conference week.

The lined-up topics and speakers are below to whet your appetite:

### Taiwo Oyedele - Fiscal Policy Partner and West Africa Tax Leader at PWC

Taiwo will speak on "<u>African free trade agreement and ECOWAS single currency</u>". Taiwo is not a first timer at our conferences, he spoke brilliantly at out conference in 2016 on Nigerian Taxation setting the conference alight with seasoned delivery.

### Samuel Aiyere – Acting CEO at FBN UK Limited

Sam is one of us at ICAN UK & District Society and we are very proud of his achievements at FBNUK. He is a seasoned Banker and has been driving organisational change across FBN UK with vison to build a Bank that serves customers excellently. He will be speaking on "International Trade, Corporate Financing and International Business". You will not want to miss his expertise on international trade and its impact on the new free continental trade agreement, Brexit and the technology paradigm shift that is upon us.



### Soji Adeniyi – Former Chairman United Nations Pension Fund

Soji haven worked for over 20 years within the United Nations, will bring a social enterprise dimension to the conference with the topic "Free Trade and Social Enterprise". He has been responsible for a Pension portfolio of over 50 Billion Dollars as of 2014 during his time at the United Nations Pension. He has a strong passion for Human Capital Development, strategic leadership and social impact analytics; and has provided advisory services and assisted several governmental agencies to setup effective and efficient M&E Systems.

### Dr Armstrong Takang Ph.D. – Special Adviser ICT, Ministry of Finance, Budget and Planning

Dr Takang Ph.D. will speak on Data Management and Analytics that the Federal Ministry of Finance is undertaking to support Government fiscal Policy formulation, the challenges faced and how the Ministry of Finance are using technology to address such challenges.

## Clive Webb – Head of Business Management, ACCA's Professional Insights team

Clive will speak on Digital transformation, Accounting and Finance and will seek to use his experience and expertise on how technology can improve the quality of accountants' work, speed up processes and adding great value to reporting framework and business performance.



### Dapo Adekola – CTO Capgemini

Dapo will speak on "Digital Transformation: implications for Trade and Enterprise in Africa" He will share his wealth of experience at delivering Enterprise Transformation while at Accenture, several corporate Enterprises in the UK and Capgemini Consulting, to support the implementation of the African Continental free trade.

# Tom Ilube CBE - British entrepreneur and educational Philanthropist

Tom will speak on the "4th Industrial Revolution, RPA, AI and iOT: Impact, Prospects and Cyber Security", using his wealth of experience on the industrialisation in Africa. With a vast experience which includes Non-Executive Director of the BBC, previously Managing Director of Consumer Markets at Callcredit Information Group, founder/CEO of Garlik, a venture capital-backed identity protection company, Chief Information Officer of Egg plc, the pioneering British internet bank and other positions at Goldman Sachs, PwC and the London Stock Exchange. Tom also led Crossword in its successful admission to AIM, the growth market operated by the London Stock Exchange in December 2018.

#### Yemisi Rotimi – CEO Capworth Enterprise

Yemisi is one of our own and a past chair of the district with specialisation in Human Capital development and Entrepreneurship training. She will bring her experience in training, capacity development and opportunities for professional accountants as the AfCTA kicks off.













#### **Panel Discussion Round table**

This session will be an opportunity for you the delegates to ask questions on various topics and receive professional and expert answers. I am sure that you will not want to miss this opportunity to bring into discussion those burning questions of why this? or why that?

The conference will also include London Bus Tour to iconic London Marks and a Gala Night on Saturday.

Please fasten your seat belt while we embark on the 3 days epic journey for a "Conference with a BIG BANG!"



For more information, please contact <a href="mailto:conference@ican-uk.org">conference@ican-uk.org</a> or <a href="mailto:generalsecretary@ican-uk.org">generalsecretary@ican-uk.org</a>

### Countdown to Conference with a BIG BANG!

- 13 days to the conference date: 12<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> March 2020; Note:
  - 11<sup>th</sup> is arrival for international delegates and
  - 15<sup>th</sup> is departure for international delegates

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