



**AFRICAN SEZs
ANNUAL MEETING**
TANGIER - MOROCCO
23 - 24 NOVEMBER 2023

AFRICAN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES ANNUAL MEETING 2023

AGENDA

“FOSTERING SUSTAINABLE INDUSTRIALIZATION AND
ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION: A ROADMAP FOR AFRICAN
SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES”

+250 PARTICIPANTS INCLUDING AFRICAN
MINISTERS OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY

+30 INTERNATIONAL EXPERTS

+45 AFRICAN SEZs



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TANGER MED

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DAY 1

Thursday
November
23rd, 2023

08:00 - 09:00

Registration & Badging

09:00 - 09:30

Opening Remarks

11:00 - 11:15

Coffee Break

13:15-14:30

Lunch Break

16:30 - 16:45

Coffee Break



AEZO 7th Annual Meeting, Abuja - NIGERIA

09:30 -10:30

High-Level Panel

"African Special Economic Zones : Driving Sustainable Economic Development"

Expert Keynote Address

Announcement of African SEZ nominee for SDG model zones (AEZO / GASEZ - UNCTAD)

10:30 - 11:00

Special words from guests of honor

11:15 – 12:30

Panel discussion (1)

"Industry: What lies ahead for African Special Economic Zones"

African SEZs Experience

Announcement of the AEZO & UNIDO partnership on capacity building and joint projects initiatives in promoting best practices within the SEZ ecosystem

12:30 – 13:15

Panel discussion (2)

"Performant logistics: Catalyst for Competitive and Sustainable SEZs Development in Africa"

African SEZs Experience

Presentation of the African Trade Facilitation Index (Tanger Med / UNCTAD)

14:30 - 15:30

Technical Session (1)

"Digitalization: Roadmap for African SEZs"

African SEZs Experience

15:30 - 16:30

Technical Session (2)

"Sustainable Facility Management and Environmental Excellence"

African SEZs Experience

16:45-17:45

Technical Session (3)

"Go to markets business value proposition for SEZs"

African SEZs Experience

20:00

Dinner with guests of honor and AEZO steering committee members

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DAY 2

Friday
November
24th, 2023

10:30 - 10:45
Coffee Break

12:30
Departure to Tanger Med Port

08:30 - 9:30
African SEZs consultation (1)
AfCFTA Ministerial Regulation on SEZs

09:30 - 10:30
African SEZs consultation (2)
Presentation of Preliminary Results of the Study on a Sustainable SME Business Ecosystem in Africa (conducted by AEZO & UA & AFD)

10:45 - 12:30
AEZO General Assembly

13:30 - 15:00
Lunch Break

Visit to Tanger Med Port
Tanger Med Group Presentation
Group Picture

Site Tour
Guided Tour of the Port



15:30 - 17:00
Visit to Tanger Automotive City (TAC)

Site Tour
Guided Tour of the Industrial Zone

Visit of Industrial Facilities
Company site tours :
Valeo | TE Connectivity | Hands



17 : 00
Departure back to Hilton
Tangier Al Houara Resort & Spa

19 : 30
Gala dinner
African SEZs Awards



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Date

November 23rd – 24th



Venue

Hilton Tangier Al Houara Resort & Spa



Event Host

TANGER MED



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About AEZO

Africa Economic Zones Organization (AEZO) is a continental association representing leading public and private institutions in charge of the development, management and promotion of Economic Zones in Africa.

AEZO includes today 85 Special Economic Zones accross 45 countries.

Founded in November 2015 by Tanger Med Group - Morocco, Africa Economic Zones Organization (AEZO) is striving to support African Economic Zones projects and strengthen relationships within its ecosystem.

Africa Economic Zones Organization (AEZO) is guided by its strategic orientations to foster collective knowledge sharing, provide strategic and technical assistance, connect with international business network and promote sustainable economic models and practices.

For 2023, the steering committee members are SEZs representing Gabon, Nigeria, Senegal, Ghana, Eswatini and Morocco.

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