

## **EVENT PROSPECTUS**

# **NATIONAL PROCUREMENT SUMMIT 2019**

### **THEME:**

*Enhancing Innovative Procurement Practices  
in the Public and Private Sectors*

**Date: 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2019**

**Venue: Golden Tulip Hotel, Aberdeen, Freetown**

**Time: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm**

**Registration Deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2019**

Delegates Registration Now Open

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**National Procurement Summit 2019**

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## *Enhancing Innovative Procurement Practices in the Public and Private Sectors in Sierra Leone*

### **Background Information**

Procurement globally holds the reputation of an important function within an organisation, which significantly reduces costs and ensures smooth business flow and transactions. Across industries, procurement is facing an increasing challenge from market dynamics, talent and leadership, digitisation and technology evolution.

Sierra Leone is embracing newer models of managing the growth of its economy through enterprise and supplier development programmes, trade incentives and big business engagement. The country and her big industry players need to place more emphasis on SMALL BUSINESS SOURCING strategies to enable a more national development and a regional integrated solution.

Cutting edge content from leading procurement industry speakers are coming together to address the key challenges facing enterprises and all levels of government and offer practical takeaway solutions to help shape procurement strategy. Flexible programme streams to allow you to tailor your attendance in the most efficient, relevant way; Network, network, network – The National Procurement Summit brings together the procurement community through learning, social interaction and innovation showcases.

### **About the National Procurement Summit**

The National Procurement Summit is a platform for procurement leaders to delve into the pivotal role procurement plays as a leverage to reach socioeconomic objectives. In partnership with key players and strategic stakeholders across Sierra Leone and abroad, the Summit will deliver a world-class national event. It is the gathering of leading procurement directors, sourcing directors, senior management and supply chain directors and is the ultimate procurement and supply chain conference in Sierra Leone.

This is a training conference where you meet sourcing, procurement, purchasing and buying professionals from both government and the private sector. The event will offer you easy access to procurement professionals ensuring that you learn more about their requirements and meet their needs. The National Procurement Summit will host verified local and international NGOs, businesses and public institutions that will showcase products and services to the buyers looking to support local sourcing. Be part of a platform that provides industry-specific buyer match-up sessions, onsite procurement training by industry professionals, and networking.

Over ten (10) speakers will inform and educate the senior purchasing, sourcing and supply chain executives who have gathered to meet with suppliers and keep up-to-date with the latest industry innovations, best practices and new technology solutions.

Our theme, “Enhancing Innovative Procurement Practices in the Public and Private Sectors” talks to the pivotal role procurement plays as a leverage to achieving socioeconomic objectives unique to the Sierra Leonean procurement system.

The Summit has been strategically designed with a specific focus on current regional trends and challenges with a strong focus on Sierra Leone’s local content, enterprise development strategies

and the key roles that both public and private sector procurement play in making Sierra Leone great again. In addition, the Summit will look at how do we as a nation move away from practising archaic procurement models and pave way to implement an integrated public/private sector partnerships, sustainable development and international best practice.

By partnering with leading institutions in both the public and private sectors, you will be exposed to presentations by industry experts, panel discussions and case studies, the first of its kind in Sierra Leone.

### **Who Should Attend**

- Procurement Service Providers (IT, Telecoms, e-Procurement, Contract Management, Spend Analysis, Benchmarking)
- Suppliers of Goods and Services (Commodities, Corporate Travel, Cleaning Services, Data Management, Recruitment, Security, Facilities Management, telecoms, office suppliers, · Print Management, Freight & Logistics etc.)
- Consultants (Procurement, Supply Chain, Cost Management, Business Process Outsourcing, Legal, Risk Management etc.)
- Regulatory Bodies and Interest Groups.

### **Why Attend**

- ✓ Educational seminars on the latest industry issues
- ✓ Key insights from industry thought leaders, practitioners & service providers
- ✓ First-hand case studies on the challenges of procurement leadership
- ✓ Hands-on demonstrations of the latest solutions in the technology showcase
- ✓ Excellent networking opportunities with peers throughout the day
- ✓ Meet over 100 exhibitors that can meet your procurement needs.

### **Dates and Times**

The event will hold on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2019, from 08:00 to 17:00. You can stay for the whole day, or only attend the sessions that suit your schedule and interests.

### **Venue**

Golden Tulip Hotel (Essential Kimbima Hotel) in Aberdeen, Freetown. You can call us at 07841-5579 for directions.

### **Accommodation**

We have negotiated discounted rates at the hotel/venue for delegates coming from the provinces. Kindly call us at 078-415-579 or email at [info@africanconsultingcorp.com](mailto:info@africanconsultingcorp.com) for more information.

### **Topics and Key Themes at a Glance**

#### **Close Strategic Sourcing and Contract Management**

Connect the dots between senior purchasing, sourcing and supply chain executives for a comprehensive view of the overlapping challenges of procurement. Master the protocol for optimal performance in inventory and cost management, contract compliance, achieving greater transparency across the chain, supplier management and risk mitigation.

### **Digital Transformation of Procurement**

Artificial intelligence, blockchain, automation, robotics, IoT, IIoT and the like have transformed every aspect of procurement. We will help you nail down this soup of buzz words into an effective strategy for technology driven processes, backed by case studies and proven best practices.

### **Supplier Partnership Management**

Procurement experts will share best practices and solutions to the most significant challenges of supplier partnership management, including identifying strategic suppliers, successful metrics to measure suppliers and supplier risk management.

### **Supply Chain Strategies to Increase Visibility**

Supply chain visibility has moved from the “luxury” phase to a mandated necessity. Your informed customer base demands it and technology has cracked open a new world of risk mitigation and optimization opportunities. From technology selection to best practices, we’ll give you the leg up and save you from the hard lessons of operating below the curve.

### **Workforce and Talent Management**

Learn how you can create optimal conditions for your people to achieve innovation, realize their potential, and find true fulfilment in the workplace. Experts will discuss the finesse of managing the changing manufacturing landscape and tackling the task of attracting, and retaining, qualified talent.

### **Participants’ Certification**

At the end of this year’s event, all registered delegates and participants will receive an “Attendance Certificate” testifying that they participated in the Sierra Leone Procurement Summit 2019.

### **Commitment after the Summit**

Our aim is to constantly engage the participants, the public sector, non-profit sector, business community and individuals in continually developing tools that facilitate sustainable national and regional development, growth and stability.

We are making a personal commitment to meet with all the participants individually to address any comments they may have about the Summit, the outcome or the action plan. We intend to ensure that all participants have gained the maximum value possible from the Summit and to ensure that the impact created as a result is being explored and used by the Society of Human Resource Management Sierra Leone.

### **Discussion Board**

An online discussion board will be made available after the Summit, for participants to continually discuss issues relating to procurement practice across Sierra Leone. This Summit will mark the starting point from which the business community and the public sector can continue to take an active role in developing the practices in procurement management in Sierra Leone and where participants will continuously find support in implementing newly evolving practices, trends, tools etc. to create the necessary professional culture behind effective implementation of procurement best practices across the country.

## Speakers' Profile

Speakers for the Summit are leading experts and professionals in the field of procurement, public financial management and accounting, public and corporate affairs, procurement regulatory reforms and enforcement. Also, key business leaders such as Board chairmen and senior executives and professionals from both the public and private sectors, including business and management consultants will address delegates at the event.

## Agenda at a Glance

This one day event will run as follows:

- 0800 – 0830 – Networking and Registration
- 0900 – 1030 – Session
- 1030 – 1100 – Morning Tea
- 1100 – 1230 – Session
- 1230 – 1330 – Lunch
- 1330 – 1500 – Session
- 1500 – 1530 – Afternoon Tea
- 1530 – 1700 – Q&A Session

## Summit Methodology/Approach

The Summit will focus on attaining a deeper insight into the key issues of procurement, its role in socioeconomic growth and national development and in improving procurement practice. The interactive sessions will provide an opportunity for the participants to contribute to practical recommendations for improving national procurement standards and help raise the profile of this important profession. There will be few breaks for refreshments, roundtable discussions, media/press briefs and leadership recognition in procurement practices.

## Delegates Registration

Participation in the National Procurement Summit is "by invitation only." *Registration fee includes local taxes, and does not include bank charges and insurance for foreign delegates.*

## Pricing Structure and Costs of Participation

Regular Delegates Registration closing on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2019:

- Foreign Companies, UN agencies and Embassies: Le2,000,000 per person/delegate
- Government Agency/Entity, Department or Company: Le,1,500,000 per person/delegate
- NGOs, Local SMEs/Small companies and entrepreneurs: Le 1,500,000 per person/delegate

## Entitlement of the registration fees:

### Delegates:

- ✓ Access to all programme sessions, including event materials
- ✓ Participation certificate and gifts
- ✓ Access to social events, coffee breaks and lunch

To register your delegation or request more information, please contact us at +232-7841-5579.