



Theme: Promoting new approaches to MSMEs Development in the Niger Delta

Program of Events

Tuesday, November 26, 2013	
DAY 1	
8.00-9.00 am	<i>Delegates arrival and Registration</i>
9.00-9.15 am	<b>PLENARY SESSION</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Dr. Dara Akala, Programs Director PIND Foundation Welcome address delivered by Mr. Sam Daibo Executive Director PIND Foundation
9.15-9.25 am	Opening address from the Chief Host: Professor Julius O. Ihonvbere (OON), Secretary to State Government, Edo State.
9.25-9.35 am	Good will messages from representatives of Partner organizations
9.35-10.00 am	<b>Keynote Address</b> <b>Promoting new approaches for Micro, Small &amp; Medium Enterprises</b> delivered by Alhaji Bature Umar Masari Director General, Small & Medium Enterprises Agency of Nigeria (SMEDAN)
10.00-10.20 am	<b>Tea Break and Tour of Exhibition Stands</b>
10.20-10.30 am	Short film presentation Review of 2013 objectives and Agenda
10.30-11.00 am	<b>Background Paper 1: Access to Finance for MSMEs</b> delivered by Paul Eluhaiwe, Director of Development Finance, Central Bank of Nigeria HQ, Abuja and Farouk Kurawa Agricultural Finance Specialist MARKETS II
11.00-11.30 am	<b>Background Paper 2: Enabling Environment for Business development</b> delivered by Mr. Bayo Akindeinde, Program Manager Enhancing Nigerian Advocacy for a Better Business Environment (ENABLE), Abuja DFID Funded Program.
11.30 -1.30 pm	<b>CONCURRENT PANEL SESSIONS</b> <b>Session 1a: Access to finance – Challenges of lending to Agricultural and Rural Finance.</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> Farouk Kurawa Agricultural Finance Specialist MARKETS II <b>Panelists</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Justina Bairekpedi, MD/CEO Wetlands Microfinance Bank, Warri, Delta State</li> <li>• Irene Ibekuze, National Program Coordinator, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)</li> <li>• Mrs. Josephine Financial Secretary, United Ufoma Fish Farmers Association, Warri, Delta State</li> <li>• Cynthia Mosunmola Umoru, Founder/CEO Farmshoppe, Lagos</li> </ul>
	<b>Session 1b: Access to finance – Challenges of lending to MSMEs</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> Emeka Ile, Director Business Development, MARKETS II <b>Panelists</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chima Nnadozie, Head MSME Propositions, Diamond Bank, Lagos</li> <li>• Godwin Ehigiamusoe Managing Director, LAPO Microfinance Bank, Benin City Edo State</li> <li>• Stone Conroy, Mercy Corps Nigeria</li> <li>• Prince Peter Iyare, Manufacturers Association of Nigeria Edo State Branch</li> <li>• Lady Taiye Nohuwa National Association of Women Entrepreneurs, Benin Branch</li> </ul>

	<p><b>Session 2: Enabling Environment – Role of Government as facilitators and enablers of business development</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Honorable Daniel Akhilele Special Adviser to Edo State Governor on Small &amp; Medium Enterprises</p> <p><b>Panelists</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Friday Okpara Director Public Private Partnership, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency of Nigeria (SMEDAN)</li> <li>• Dr. Christopher Onosode, Advisory: Consulting Government &amp; Public Services, Price Water house Coopers Limited, Abuja</li> <li>• Adedeji Michael Adeniyi, Head Department of Planning, Budget, Research &amp; Statistics, Akure North LGA, Ondo State</li> <li>• Patience Eke, Treasurer Oredo LGA Farmers Cooperative Union, affiliate of Edo State Cooperative Farmers Agency, Benin City, Edo State</li> </ul>
1.30 -1.50 pm	<p><b>Plenary</b></p> <p>Feedback from breakout sessions by rapporteurs and close of morning plenary session</p>
1.50-2.50 pm	<b>Lunch Break</b>
2.50 – 3.05 pm	<p><b>Plenary</b></p> <p>Launch of ND Link by Sam Daibo Executive Director PIND Foundation</p>
3.05 - 5.05 pm	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CONCURRENT PANEL SESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>Session 3: Access to finance – Opportunities in Non traditional sources of finance – Equity, Leasing, Transfers, Grants etc.</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Emeka Ile, Director Business Development, MARKETS II</p> <p><b>Panelists</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Barbara James, Founder, Henshaw Capital Partners Limited, Lagos</li> <li>• Andrew Efurhievwe Executive Secretary, Equipment Leasing Association of Nigeria Limited, Lagos</li> <li>• Alex Sharta, President, Warri Chambers of Commerce, Industry, Mines and Agriculture</li> </ul> <p><b>Session 4: Enabling Environment – Voice and Accountability: Associations as advocates for Change</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Bayo Akindeinde, Program Manager Enhancing Nigerian Advocacy for a Better Business Environment (ENABLE), Abuja DFID Funded Program</p> <p><b>Panelists</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Omowunmi Gbadamosi, Country Director Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE), Lagos</li> <li>• Fidelis Ekom Media Consultant</li> <li>• Emmanuel Odigie, Chairman Edo State All Farmers Association of Nigeria (AFAN)</li> <li>• Joseph Osazuwa, Wordful Cooperative Farms Benin City, Edo State</li> </ul>
5.05 - 5.25 pm	<p><b>PLENARY SESSION</b></p> <p>Feedback from breakout sessions by rapporteurs and close of afternoon plenary session</p> <p>Announcements</p> <p>Closing by moderator: Dr. Dara Akala, Programs Director PIND Foundation</p>
5.30- 6.00pm	Social Networking Event
<b>Wednesday November 27, 2013</b>	
<b>DAY 2</b>	
8.30-9.00 am	Registration
9.00-9.15 am	<p><b>PLENARY SESSION</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Bose Eitokpah, Strategic Program Manager PIND Foundation.</p> <p>Short film presentation</p> <p>Launch of 2014 PIND Advocacy Calendar Campaign by Nate Haken, Senior Advisor, Funds for Peace, USA</p>
9.15- 9.30 am	Recap of day 1 proceedings by rapporteurs
9.30-10.00 am	<b>Background Paper 3:</b> Access to Markets and Business Linkages delivered by Uzo Nduka CEO at Domino Information Company Limited.
10.00-10.30 am	<b>Background Paper 4:</b> Business Support Services delivered by Bill Grant, Global Practice Leader

	Agriculture, Agribusiness and Food Security, DAI, USA
10.30-10.45 am	<b>Tea Break</b>
10.45-12.45 pm	<p><b>CONCURRENT PANEL SESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>Session 5: Access to Markets and Business Linkages – Markets for Agricultural commodities and Market Information Services for Small Businesses</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> Bill Grant, Global Practice Leader, DAI, USA  <b>Panelists</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tayo Olokode Head Strategy JWT Advertising, Lagos</li> <li>• Roland Oroh, Program Manager Agribusiness &amp; Trade Portfolio, USAID Nigeria</li> <li>• Chike Nwagwu Managing Director/CEO NOVUS Agro, Lagos</li> <li>• Amayo Nosa, President Edo State Cooperative Farmers Agency</li> <li>• Cynthia Mosunmola Umoru, Founder/CEO Farmshoppe, Lagos</li> </ul> <p><b>Session 6: Business Support Services – Support Services for the underserved population (Youth, Women &amp; People living with disabilities) in entrepreneurship development</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Jesse Ojobor, Rural Entrepreneurship Development and Human Security Unit UNIDO HQ, Vienna, Austria  <b>Panelist</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rafael Alejandro, Country Representative, Mercy Corps, Nigeria</li> <li>• Oje Ivagba Program Manager, Leap Africa, Lagos</li> <li>• Sabina Idowu Program Manager Lift Above Poverty Organization, Benin City</li> <li>• Dr. Julie Momah Centre Manager/Deputy Director Technology Incubation Centre, Benin, National Board for Technology Incubation</li> <li>• Iquo Okon Ama, President Dynamic Ladies Association, Uyo, Akwa Ibom State.</li> </ul>
12.45- 1.00 pm	<p><b>Plenary</b>  Feedback from breakout sessions by rapporteurs and close of morning plenary session</p>
1.00-2.00 pm	<b>Lunch Break</b>
2.00-4.00 pm	<p><b>CONCURRENT PANEL SESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>Session 7: Access to Markets and Business Linkages – How can small business entrepreneurs penetrate corporate markets</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Sylvester Okoh, Field Projects Manager PIND Foundation  <b>Panelists</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Precious Agbunno, Market Development Officer, PIND Foundation</li> <li>• Esimaje Brikinn Chevron Nigeria Limited</li> <li>• Peace Nwareama Acting Center Manager, SME-Development Network, Port Harcourt</li> <li>• Dr. Chukwuma Ezedinma, Regional Office for Nigeria &amp; West Africa, UNIDO</li> <li>• Toki Mabogunje, Business Consultant Toki Mabogunje &amp; Co, Lagos</li> </ul> <p><b>Session 8: Business Support Services – Role of Technology in production and processing for MSMEs</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Nancy Gilbert, Manager Appropriate Technology Enabled Development Program  <b>Panelists</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engr. Victor Olomo CEO Process Concepts and Technologies Limited, Ibadan</li> <li>• Dr. Owolarafe Oseni Head Department of Agricultural and Environmental Engineering, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile Ife</li> <li>• Engr. Nwabuaeze Akobundu, CEO Basicon Machines Limited, Owerri, Imo State</li> <li>• Chief Damian Nwachukwu, Umuagwo Palm Oil Processing Cluster, Imo State.</li> </ul>
4.00-5.30 pm	<p><b>PLENARY SESSION</b>  Feedback from breakout sessions by rapporteurs and close of afternoon plenary session  Vote of thanks by Dennis Flemming, Executive Director Niger Delta Partnership Initiative, USA  Closing by moderator: Bose Eitokpah, Strategic Program Manager PIND Foundation.</p>
<b>Close</b>	