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**Progressive Alliance in Africa Conference**  
**Reaffirming Solidarities for Justice Democratic Renewal**  
**May 23-24, 2024 in Douala, Cameroon**

**Program Schedule**

**May 23, 2024, Thursday**

AM - Arrivals of Delegations

14:00 hrs - Check-in

14:45 hrs - Registration and Coffee

15:00 hrs - **Welcome and Opening**

Josh Osih

President, Social Democratic Front Cameroon

Yvonne Muma Bih

National Secretary for Political Education and Training, Social Democratic Front

Jeanette Ndoumbe

Shadow Cabinet Minister for Foreign Affairs, Social Democratic Front  
Cameroon

15:15 hrs - **Understanding Societal Conflicts and Trajectories for Africa**

*Where are the 3 most pressing issues that will impact Africa in the coming 10 years and beyond? What makes these issues consequential to the African continent?*

*What are the factors that will influence negatively the direction of the most pressing issues? What are the factors that can direct the issues to a better direction?*

*What trends are we looking at in analyzing Africa in relation to other continents or countries outside? Are there significant links in trajectories at present or in the future?*

Social Democratic Front  
Cameroon

Nassarmadji Ngaringuem  
Party of Freedom and Development  
Chad

Elias Nzo Ondo  
Convergence for Social Democracy  
Equatorial Guinea

Mlungisi Makanya  
People's United Democratic Movement  
Eswatini

Simon Mangana  
Citizens Convergence  
Republic of the Congo

Lam Akol Agungdit  
National Democratic Movement  
South Sudan

Session Chair:  
Martin Ziguele  
President, Movement for the Liberation of the Central African People  
Central African Republic

17:30 hrs - End of Day

19:30 hrs - Fellowship Dinner

**May 24, 2024, Friday**

9:00 hrs - **The Role of Progressive Parties in Democratic Renewal**

*How do we combat social injustices and inequities with more democracy as against elitism and authoritarian rule? What are important roles or tasks for us progressive parties in the current juncture?*

*What is the state of progressive parties at the moment? Where lies our weakness and how do we build on our strengths to build momentum?*

*What characterizes progressive governance in Africa that can pose as a viable alternative?*

Chabi Yayi  
Les Democratres  
Benin

Mark Chidi Obetta  
Labour Party  
Nigeria

Mbongiseni Shabangu  
Swazi Democratic Party  
Eswatini

Gladys Hlatywayo  
Citizens Coalition for Change  
Zimbabwe

Session Chair:  
Louis Marie Kakdeu  
2<sup>nd</sup> National Vice President, Social Democratic Front - Cameroon

10:30 hrs - Break

11:00 hrs - **Plenary Session**

12:00 hrs - Lunch

13:30 hrs - **International Solidarity and Transformation**

*What comprise our viable programme for Africa in the face of multiple crises?*

*What is our collective response to the repression faced by sister parties and democratic forces in Africa? How do we show political support?*

*How do we strengthen our Alliance of progressive parties and organizations in Africa? What are mechanisms that can reactivate our work in the region?*

Lead Discussants are Current Board Members of the Progressive Alliance:

Moussa Boly  
People's Movement for Progress  
Burkina Faso

Martin Ziguele  
Movement for the Liberation of the Central African People  
Central Africa Republic

Gorgui Ciss  
Socialist Party  
Senegal

Session Chair:  
Josh Osih  
President, Social Democratic Front - Cameroon

15:30 hrs - Break

16:00 hrs - **Report of the Progressive Alliance**

Marie Chris "Machris" Cabrerios  
Coordinator, Progressive Alliance

16:30 hrs -     Wrap Up and Closing

Nina Netzer  
Resident Director  
Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Cameroon Office

Donatus Njong  
Secretary General  
Social Democratic Front Cameroon

17:00 hrs -     End of Conference