

GREAT LAKES CORRIDORS SUMMIT 2026

GLCS 2026 Exhibitor Brochure

15 - 17 September 2026 | Dar es Salaam, Tanzania



Building together the logistics, trade
and port corridors that will accelerate Africa's economic integration



Founder's Message

A bold vision for Africa's economic future

The Great Lakes Region stands today at a decisive moment in its economic development. Endowed with abundant natural resources, a population of over 200 million, and a strategic position connecting East, Central, and Southern Africa, the region has all the assets to become one of the continent's main engines of growth.

Transforming African corridors into engines of prosperity, competitiveness, and regional integration. The GLCS is a catalyst for investment, regional cooperation, and economic transformation.

Chama Smith Aaron

Founder & Chairman

Connect Afrika Ltd (UK)

The Great Lakes Region

A strategic economic powerhouse

200M+

inhabitants

9+

connected countries

**Cuivre, Cobalt,
Lithium**

strategic reserves

**Dynamic
growth**

among the strongest in Africa

**Regional
trade**

growing rapidly

Port access

to international markets

KEY ASSETS

Strategic position

Industrial potential

Emerging markets

Infrastructure

Investments

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Connect Afrika & GLCS 2026

A strategic partnership for regional integration

Vision

Create an integrated ecosystem

Connect the Great Lakes economies to global markets through high-performance logistics corridors

Mission

Facilitate regional trade

Reduce logistics costs and accelerate trade between the 9 countries of the region

Impact

Transform the region

Attract structural investments and position the region as an African logistics hub



KEY OBJECTIVES

Corridors

Ports

Commerce

Digital

Finance

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Strategic Themes

The pillars of the GLCS 2026 Summit



Logistics Corridors

Developing transport routes connecting the 9 Great Lakes countries to international markets



Ports & Infrastructure

Modernising lake and maritime ports to accelerate commercial exchanges



Regional Trade

Facilitating cross-border trade and reducing tariff barriers between member countries



Digital Transformation

Deploying digital solutions for traceability and logistics flow management



Investment & Finance

Mobilising capital to fund the region's structural projects

Summit Programme

3 days of strategic sessions and networking

DAY 1 – 15 Sept.

Opening & Vision

- Official opening ceremony
- Heads of State speeches
- Panel: Great Lakes Vision 2035
- Keynote: Corridors of the future
- Welcome cocktail



DAY 2 – 16 Sept.

Thematic Sessions

- Regional logistics corridors
- Ports & maritime infrastructure
- Digital transformation
- Cross-border trade
- Business Matching Sessions



DAY 3 – 17 Sept.

Action & Commitments

- Investor roundtables
- Partnership signings
- Joint roadmap
- Summit final declaration
- Closing & Networking



VENUE



Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

Julius Nyerere Convention Centre

PARTICIPANTS



500+ Participants

9 countries from the Great Lakes region

NETWORKING



Business Matching

Exclusive B2B and networking sessions

Participants & Partnership

Who attends and how to partner with GLCS 2026



Government & Institutional Leaders

Ministers, heads of state delegations
and regional organisation
representatives



Private Sector & Investors

CEOs, fund managers and
business leaders seeking
regional opportunities



Development Partners

International organisations, DFIs
and multilateral agencies
supporting regional integration



Sponsorship Packages

Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze
tiers with exclusive visibility
and networking benefits



Exhibition & Stands

Showcase your solutions at
the dedicated exhibition
space alongside the summit

Partnership Categories

Choose the level that matches your ambition

PLATINUM

\$50,000

- ✓ Logo on all materials
- ✓ Keynote in plenary (20 min)
- ✓ Premium stand 12m²
- ✓ Dedicated roundtable
- ✓ 10 VIP passes
- ✓ Exclusive gala dinner
- ✓ Priority media coverage

GOLD

\$30,000

- ✓ Logo on main materials
- ✓ Panel session (15 min)
- ✓ Stand 9m²
- ✓ 5 VIP passes
- ✓ Gala dinner access
- ✓ Press mention

SILVER

\$15,000

- ✓ Logo on programme
- ✓ Workshop presentation
- ✓ Stand 6m²
- ✓ 3 conference passes
- ✓ Networking access

BRONZE

\$7,500

- ✓ Logo on website
- ✓ Programme mention
- ✓ Stand 4m²
- ✓ 2 conference passes

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Join the leaders shaping Africa's corridors of tomorrow

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