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## The Agenda

*Each year, 300 of the most interesting, inspiring, and influential people from across Africa and around the world gather for 3 days to reflect on how they can elevate the continent to greater heights by addressing its most pressing issue: **leadership**. Those in attendance explore how they can transform Africa by becoming better leaders themselves and by playing a role in nurturing the next generation of African leaders.*

*The theme of this year's gathering is "**Impossible**", which will explore the mindsets, skillsets, and networks leaders need to embrace as they embark on the seemingly impossible journey of making this century the 'African Century'.*

*Join us for an energizing, inspiring, and thought-provoking experience on the beautiful island of Mauritius and become part of a movement that will redefine Africa.*

*Welcome to #ALN2017*

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Wednesday,  
November 1

Time	Session Description
09:00 - 17:00	<b>One-on-One Meetings</b>  Beginning at breakfast, use this time to engage in 1:1 meetings with fellow attendees of interest. You will have a chance to review profiles on the ALN 2017 app beforehand and use the app to schedule time for meaningful 1:1 engagement that can lead to mutually-beneficial collaboration in the future.
09:00 - 15:00	<b>The Future of African Business: Dean's Executive Forum with INSEAD &amp; the ALU School of Business</b> [Invitation Only Session for Senior Executives]  Spend the day with two award-winning business school deans! Join Peter Zemsky, Dean of Executive Education/Dean of Innovation for INSEAD, and Catherine Duggan, Vice Dean of the ALU School of Business for an unmissable "taster" executive education session. Participants will leave this day-long, interactive session with new insights into digital innovation, new ways to think about the business environment in Africa, and new tools for helping their teams work through complex problems. <i>Watch your email for additional details on this unmissable session!</i>
09:00 - 18:00	<b>Registration Begins</b>  Collect your name tag and ALN2017 pack to show that you have officially registered
11:00 - 13:00	<b>ALU - University Reimagined</b> [Optional]  By the middle of this century, Africa will have the largest workforce in the world, made up of 1.1 billion young people--larger than China or India's workforce. Whether this youth population is a ticking time bomb or becomes one of the greatest opportunities of this century will depend on one thing: education. Discover how the African Leadership University is reimagining university education and preparing a generation of young, entrepreneurial Africans to tackle this uncertain future at a scale and speed never done before.
16:00 - 18:00	<b>ALN Women 'Needs and Leads' Session and Networking Event</b> [Optional]  Engage with the recently established initiative, ALN Women, to exchange ideas, find inspiration and build relationships with some of the most powerful women on the continent who are working on a range of exciting projects across Africa.
19:00 - 21:00	<b>Welcome Cocktail</b>  Officially kick off your #ALN2017 experience with a refreshing cocktail, live music and rich conversation in a casual setting. This is the perfect opportunity to spark new connections with your fellow attendees.



Thursday,  
November 2

Time	Session Description
06:00-09:30	<b>Start the day</b> <b>Yoga/1:1 Breakfast/ Swimming with Dolphins</b>  Start your day off with the activity that best suits your tastes. Choose between a relaxing yoga session on the beach, a one-on-one breakfast with a fellow participant, or embrace bold adventure(s) by joining a guided activity: swimming with Dolphins in the Indian Ocean.
09:30-12:00	<b>IMPOSSIBLE!</b> <i>Celebrating What is Proven Possible</i>  Our opening session this year is a celebration of dreams coming to fruition as a result of a strong vision, commitment to action, and dedication to serving a higher purpose. Join the founders of the African Leadership Group in reflecting on the bold approaches, innovative strategies, and inevitable discouraging setbacks we all face on the path to achieving what sometimes seems impossible. Do you believe it's possible to build a movement that will transform Africa? Having the confidence to dream big is the the first step towards achieving anything that's game-changing.
14:00-16:00	<b>IMPOSSIBLE...?</b> <i>Courage and Resilience Personified</i>  Passion and persistence in the face of seemingly daunting challenges is in short supply. Two women who have distinguished themselves in pursuit of big dreams--the <b>Hon. Graca Machel</b> and <b>Dr. Deqo Mohamed</b> --are among those who will share their insights about where they look for inspiration and energy when the going gets tough when pursuing the seemingly impossible. Collectively, we'll shape new understandings and approaches to building resilience in the face of the inevitable challenges that confront any pursuit of the ambitious.
16:00-18:30	<b>Downtime: Spa Experience / Speedboat /1:1 sessions</b>  Use this time to connect with your fellow attendees over coffee or drinks. Strengthen your own networks and develop collaborations with fellow leaders that will enable your own journey towards significance. Alternatively, use this time to decompress before the evening's main event. You can either indulge in a restorative evening at the spa or join our mini speedboat trip that culminates with a breathtaking ocean sunset.
19:00-23:00	<b>Africa Awards for Entrepreneurship Gala Dinner &amp; Party</b>  This flagship ALN black-tie event combines high glamour with entrepreneurial inspiration. Each year, we celebrate the most successful African entrepreneurs who are breaking the mould and positively impacting the continent through their ventures. Don't forget to pack that tuxedo, traditional regalia or ball gown!



Friday,  
November 3

Time	Session Description
08:00-09:00	<b>Start the day</b> <b>1:1 Breakfast</b>  Continue building your network with other attendees and continue exploring how you can work together to achieve more for the continent. Enjoy your own one-on-one breakfast with friends or new acquaintances.
07:30-09:30	<b>ALN Women's Breakfast: Unleashing the Female Leader</b> [Optional] <i>Breaking the Stereotypes That Hold Female Leaders Back</i>  Take advantage of the chance to hear from women who have distinguished themselves in their fields. This session is designed for ALN Women to exchange stories, learn from each other and build relationships that will matter on the journey to achieving the IMPOSSIBLE.
10:30-12:00	<b>IT is POSSIBLE</b> <i>Pushing the Boundaries of the Possible</i>  The committed, collaborative support of others, however many or few, is essential to achieving the impossible. This session offers options for exploring cutting edge ideas and projects already propelling Africa forward in <b>Sustainable Development, Education, Politics, and Entrepreneurship</b> . The way ahead may not be clear or may be cluttered with seemingly insurmountable obstacles. But through learning from each other, gathering inspiration, and engaging with diverse perspectives on the issues, we can begin to blaze the trail forward. Join in the conversation, maybe even debate, and exercise some new leadership muscles.
14:30-17:00	<b>YES, I'M POSSIBLE</b>  Active, engaging, and yes fun, experiential learning is a hallmark of our learning methodology. Affirm your strengths, discover potential blind spots, and push yourself out of your comfort zone a bit to discover more of your own untapped potential. And maybe even do something you <i>thought</i> impossible! (Or at least consider it more aggressively!) There is more to each of us than we know, but we won't discover it alone. Join in a closing shared experience of discovery and confirmation of how you can achieve the IMPOSSIBLE!
19:00-23:00	<b>White Party</b>  After all is said and done, you'll need some great food and music to cap off the whole experience. This signature ALN celebration is a chance to let your hair down and enjoy a final fun-filled evening with your fellow attendees. Remember to pack your white outfit and a comfortable pair of shoes to dance in!



Saturday,  
November 4

Time	Session Description
09:00-17:00	<b>Optional Tours</b>  Enjoy your final moments in Mauritius by exploring the vibrant island and taking in the picturesque sights.