

## **Sovereign wealth funds, pension funds and global institutional investors to discuss Africa at the New York Stock Exchange**

**Johannesburg, South Africa; New York, USA; 15 September 2014:** Africa investor (Ai), a leading international investment and communications group, today announced that the Africa investor (Ai) CEO Institutional Investment Summit will convene pension and sovereign wealth funds from across Africa that will engage in a co-investment dialogue with the global institutional investment community at the New York Stock Exchange on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of September.

The 7th Ai CEO Institutional Investment Summit, held in partnership with the New York Stock Exchange, billed as the institutional investor community follow-up to the recent President Obama-led US-Africa Leaders' Summit, will focus on facilitating transactional investment partnerships between select African and US institutional investors, and sovereign wealth and pension funds, to invest in Africa's fastest growing sectors and capital markets. The transaction-focused Ai CEO Institutional Investment Summit will convene Africa investor partners from African and US pension and sovereign wealth funds, as well as leading CEOs from listed companies in Africa to investigate co-investment opportunities.

Africa investor Capital will also host a series of one-on-one investor meetings during the Summit.

Commenting on the Summit, Hubert Danso, CEO and Vice Chairman of Africa investor, said, "Africa is set to see the highest growth and largest number of sovereign wealth funds emerge from its resource rich nations and that, coupled with the fact that Africa's six largest pension fund assets are set to exceed US \$7 trillion by 2050, holds exciting possibilities for Africa's capital market development and infrastructure investment growth prospects."

Africa investor and BizClim will also launch a report on pension and sovereign wealth investment in infrastructure and co-investing at the Summit.

In addition, Ai will also host, with UNOSAA and the Global Partnerships Forum, its annual dedicated Heads of State Investment Working Lunch and Ministerial Roundtable, which will feature H.E. Uhuru Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya; H.E. Peter Mutharika, President of the Republic of Malawi; H.E. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Minister of Finance, the Federal Republic of Nigeria; H.E. Claver Gatete, Minister of Finance and Economic Planning, the Republic of Rwanda; H.E. Henry Rotich, Cabinet Secretary National Treasury, the Republic of Kenya, H.E. Oldemiro Baloi, Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Republic of Mozambique, and H.E. Mankeur Ndiaye, Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Republic of Senegal.

The 7th Ai CEO Institutional Investment Summit partners include: NYSE Euronext, GE Africa, Ecobank, the Securities Exchange Commission, Nigeria, BizClim, IFC, Auerbach Grayson & Co, ASEA, UNOSAA, Global Partnerships Forum, United Nations Office for Partnerships, World Pensions Council, ILPA, AVCA, Market Atlas, The Africa-America Institute, Africa PLC, the Quadrant Company, AllAfrica and the Bunengi Group.

The Ai invitation-only Summit and the Ai Index Series Awards will take place at the New York Stock Exchange, in New York, USA, on the 22nd of September 2014.

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### **Note to Editors**

For more information on the Africa investor (Ai) CEO Institutional Investment Summit and Index Series Awards, contact Catherine Wright on +27 11 783 2431 or [cwright@africainvestor.com](mailto:cwright@africainvestor.com).

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### **About the Africa investor Index Series**

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