

**A Celebration of Africa Day 24 May 2024, 3:00 – 5:00pm ET**  
United Nations Trusteeship Council Chamber

**Educate an African fit for the 21st Century:**

**Building resilient education systems to ensure increased access to inclusive, lifelong, quality, and relevant learning in Africa**

Moderated by Arlene Katzive, Board Member, ARDN

**Brief Welcome Statements**

Welcome statement by Hon. Constance Berry Newman, Chairperson of the Board of ARDN

Introductory statement by Mr. Djibril Diallo, CEO of ARDN

Remarks by H.E Ambassador Cheikh Niang, Permanent Representative of Senegal to the United Nations

**Remarks by UN Partners**

Remarks by Saturnin Epie, Chief, UNFPA Representative Office to the AU and the UNECA – by video

Remarks by Representative of UN Habitat , Michal Mlynar (Guest of Honor)

**Youth Panel Discussion,**

Moderator, Gordon M. Tapper, Board Member, ARDN

Ms. Lyzianah Emakoua

Mr. Wantoe Wantoe

Ms. Salimatou Fatty

Ms Oumou Haidara

**Remarks by Special Guests - Three minutes each**

Remarks by Mr. Momar Ndour, CEO of Impaxis Bank, SA - by video

Remarks by Mr. Chester Higgins, former photographer for the New York Times

Remarks by Mr. Vimal Rengasamy, National General Secretary of Youth United Council of India

Remarks by Martin Jianjang Wang, Vice President, UNCA, United Nations Correspondents Association on behalf of Ms. Anni Huang, Founder, World MADAM foundation

Remarks by Alain Mechoulam, Directeur de Cabinet *Chief of Staff*, Organisation Mondiale des Experts (OMEX)

Video Collage of the initial signatories of the OAU in 1963 Civil Society Participation

**Open Discussion -**