



AFRICA'S RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The Department of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO) will be hosting a webinar to discuss the socio-economic impact of COVID-19 on the African continent. The webinar will reflect on the continent's response to the pandemic from health, scientific, economic and diplomatic points of view.

Date: Thursday, 28 May 2020

Time: 08:30 for 09:00 – 10:00

Platform: Microsoft Teams

Moderator: Ambassador Mathu Joyini – DIRCO

- Opening remarks on the significance of the symposium and the expected outcomes by the Minister of International relations and Cooperation, Dr Naledi Pandor
- Africa's health and scientific efforts/contributions in the fight against COVID-19 by the Deputy Director for the Africa Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC), Dr Ahmed E Ogwel Ouma
- Impact of COVID-19 on Diplomacy and Governance in Africa by the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM) CEO, Prof Eddie Maloka
- Impact of COVID-19 on Africa's economic development by the former Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), Mr Abdoulaye Janneh
- An independent analysis of Africa's response to COVID-19 by the Institute for Global Dialogue (IGD), Dr Philani Mthembu
- Prospects of Silencing the Guns on the African continent under COVID-19 conditions by the Chief Executive of the South African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA), Ms Elizabeth Sidiropoulos

Follow the event live on Twitter @DIRCO_ZA or Facebook DIRCOza from 09:00.
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