

African Ambassadors Labour Mobility Summit 4.0

**Moving Forward Together: Skilled Labour Recruitment and Labour Mobility between
African Countries and Germany**

**11 September 2026
Hotel NH Collection Friedrichstraße
Friedrichstraße 96, 10117 Berlin**

Agenda

09:30 hrs **Registration and Welcome Coffee**

10:00 hrs **Opening remarks by the summit's partner organizations**

10:10 hrs **Welcome Remarks**

H.E. Igor César – Ambassador of the Republic of Rwanda

Dr Katharina Stasch – Director-General for Global Alliances, European Union and Economic Cooperation, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

Keynote

Shadrack Mwangolo Mwadime – Principal Secretary for Labour and Skills Development, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Kenya

10:55 hrs **Panel: "Priorities for Practical Implementation – How Can We Make Joint Skilled Labour Migration with Africa Work?"**

Presentation: Samuel Owusu Sasu, International Labour Mobility Expert

Panelists:

H.E. Senator Ita Solomon Enang – Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

Shadrack Mwadime – Principal Secretary, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Republic of Kenya

Tshepo Lorraine Nkwadi – Deputy Permanent Secretary, Employment Services, Ministry of Labour and Home Affairs, Republic of Botswana

Stefan Rouenhoff MdB – Parliamentary State Secretary at the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (tbc)

Sebastian Stietzel – President Chamber of Industry and Commerce Berlin

Antonia Petersen – Senior Policy Advisor for Labour Market Policy, Confederation of Business Associations of Berlin and Brandenburg (UVB)

Moderation: Sabine Odhiambo – Secretary General, German Africa Foundation

12:20 hrs **Opening of the “Marketplace of Opportunities” (until 4pm)**

12:30 hrs **Group picture and Lunch**

13:30 – **Workshop: Creating an Enabling Framework for Labour Mobility**
14:30 hrs **Topics:**

- Visa procedures
- Recognition of qualifications
- Language certification
- Administrative processes
- Coordination between institutions

Objective: Identify concrete approaches to improving the structural framework conditions for labour mobility.

14:45 – **Workshop: Successfully Shaping Workforce Mobility**
15:45 hrs **Topics:**

Input by Senior Researcher Dr Alexander Stöcker, German Institute of Development and Sustainability (IDOS)

- Recruitment and matching
- Pre-departure preparation and onboarding
- Integration
- The role of businesses and the diaspora
- Supporting SMEs

Objective: Develop practical solutions for implementing successful labour mobility processes.

15:45 hrs **Workshop Results, Closing Remarks & Outlook**

16:00 hrs **End of programme**