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## COPUOS

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### Side Event

**«Celebrating African Space Development:  
Towards a Sustainable and Inclusive Global Space Sector»**



Thursday, 26 June 2025  
13:10 - 14:00 CEST



VIC, M Building Press Room  
Vienna

#### 1. Opening Segment

- **H.E. Azzeddine Farhane**, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of Morocco to the United Nations Office in Vienna
- **Ms. Aarti Holla-Maini**, Director, United Nations for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)
- **H.E Ms. Maimounata Ouattara**, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Burkina Faso to the United Nations Office in Vienna, Chair of the African Group
- **H.E. Carl Hallergård**, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the European Union to the United Nations Office in Vienna

#### 2. Thematic Presentations: African Space Programs and Strategic Outlook

- **H.E Dr. Tidiane Ouattara**, President of the African Space Council : African Space Agency (AfSA) – Strategic vision, programs, and partnerships
- **Ms. Cecilia Donati**, Directorate General for International Partnerships (European Commission): Cooperation with African countries in the Space Sector
- **Ms Amal Layachi**, Head of International Cooperation, Royal Moroccan Center for Remote Sensing (Morocco): Overview of national space program and regional cooperation
- **Dr. Mathew Olamide Adepoju**, Director of the National Space Research and Development Agency (NASRDA) (Nigeria) : Space applications for development and capacity building

Transition/Introduction of Q&A moderated by Ms. Rosanna Margarita Hoffmann, Associate Legal Officer UNOOSA

Reception hosted by the Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Morocco (Refreshments & networking) (14:15-15:00)