

Phase I - Online
16 March - 4 May 2026



Phase II - In-person, Luanda
5 - 6 May 2026

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<https://tinyurl.com/y9rcfjw8>

One Forum, Two Phases

This draft agenda will be detailed as sessions and speakers fully confirm.

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16/03/2026 and 08/04/2026

Introduction to Phase I of the Forum	
1500-1600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Introduction to Angola – EU Lobito Corridor Business Forum (EU Delegation in Angola) – 15 min ▪ Use of Business Forum platform (EU-Africa Business Forum Facility) – 20 min ▪ Information on visa and travel arrangements (EU-Angola Dialogue Facility) – 15 min ▪ Q&A – 10 min

25/03/2026

Angola General	
Key topics: Business environment, challenges and opportunities for investments, tax regulations	
1500-1600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Angola introduction (Angola Private Investment and Export Promotion Agency – AIPEX-) – 15 min ▪ Regulatory environment– 15 min ▪ Investment environment – 15 min ▪ Q&A – 15 min

31/03/2026

Trade	
Key topics: Angola – EU Trade Matters. Access to EU Markets for Angolan products, investment support mechanisms, Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) and Global Gateway Investment hub.	
1500-1600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Angola-EU current status of trade and Sustainable Investment Facilitation Agreement (SIFA) – 20 min ▪ Access to EU market / Access2market – 15 min ▪ EPA – 5 min ▪ Q&A – 20 min

09/04/2026

Agriculture and agribusiness	
Key topics: Production and processing, value chains, market access and supply chains.	
1500-1600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sustainable productivity enhancement - Agriculture organisations at national and local levels ▪ Value chains, processing and supply chains - Agriculture companies

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13/04/2026 – 30/04/2026

Pitching	
Key topics : Pitching projects to attract partners and investments, online matchmaking and B2B	
Individual and group sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Capacity building for selected projects ▪ Online match making ▪ Online pitching and B2B sessions

15/04/2026

Transports and Logistics	
Key topics: Transport and logistics as backbone for development of trade and investment along the Lobito Corridor	
1500-1600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Current transport options and infrastructure ▪ Logistics as driver for development

16/04/2026

Access to finance	
Key topics: Financing mechanisms	
1500-1600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Development Finance Institutions

22/04/2026

Human Capital	
Key topics: Human resources, availability, training and education - social rights	
1500-1600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Technical and Vocational Education and Training programs ▪ Social security (International Labour Organization –ILO) ▪ Ministry of Labour ▪ Job market and skills available (Jobartis / Lusíada University)

23/04/2026

EU Priorities in Angola	
Key topics: EU and Angola	
1500-1600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ EU Priorities (EU Delegation in Angola)

29/04/2026

Lobito Corridor	
Key topics : How World Bank and the African Development Bank support the Lobito Corridor and investments	
1500-1600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ World Bank (WB) ▪ African Development Bank (AfDB)

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5th- 6th May, Luanda – Phase II - In-person

Monday 4 May	
1400-1900	Registration – Installation of booths

Tuesday 5 May				
0730-0900	Registration (final) – Welcome participants			
0900-1000	Opening – Keynote speeches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> High level EU Representative(s) High level Angolan Authorities 			
1000-1100	Doing business in Angola <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business associations Chambers of commerce 			
1100-1145	Coffee break			
1145-1300	Plenary 1 - Angola General (country and business environment) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> State of play (Angola Private Investment and Export Promotion Agency – AIPEx) Strategies and recent reforms (AIPEx) Investment environment (Bank representative) Operational experiences (an EU company representative already operational in Angola) Dynamics in partnering with Angolan companies (an Angolan company representative with EU or other foreign partner) 			
1300-1430	Lunch			
1430-1600	Panel 1 – Agriculture and agribusiness production and processing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sustainable farming Production efficiency and loss reduction Processing 	Panel 1 – Transport and Logistics 1-Current state of transport options along the Lobito Corridor 2-Logistics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Platforms and value chains Investment promotion and support The case of agricultural exports 		
1600-1700	B2B Individual meetings based on pre-matching and requests from participating companies	Networking Free networking and discussions for participants to deepen on the spot contacts	Project pitching and presentation Structured presentations by project holders	Global Gateway and Investment Hub Presentation of the Global Gateway and investment hub facilities and processes
1900-2200	Dinner			

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Wednesday 6 May			
0900-1100	Plenary 2 - Regulatory environment (taxation, profit management, foreign exchange availability etc.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Banking regulation ▪ Export experience - a company from agriculture sector ▪ A bilateral chamber of commerce ▪ An EU Business Support Organisation 		
1100-1145	Networking Coffee break		
1145-1300	Panel 2 – Agriculture and agribusiness Markets and supply chains	Panel 2 – Trade and investment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Angola – EU Current status of trade and Sustainable Investment Facilitation Agreement (SIFA) ▪ Access to EU market – AGRI Info / Access2market ▪ Economic Partnership Agreement and regional markets ▪ Geographical Indications 	
1300-1430	Lunch		
1430-1530	B2B	Project pitching and presentation	B2Gs – With teams from Ministry of Transport and Agriculture
1530-1700	B2B	Project pitching and presentation	Breakout sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Banks and Development Finance Institutions • Global Gateway and Investment Hub • Associations (sectoral and business) • Individual B2G from Trade missions with Ministry of Transport, Agriculture and Industry and Commerce
1700-1730	Closing speeches		
1830-2130	Closing event of the Forum and dinner		

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Subsequent demand-based field visits to Benguela and Huambo may be organised by partners of the Business Forum on 7-8 May 2026.

Tentative agenda – To be confirmed based on number of participants and arrangements between AIPEX /European Union countries and local partners in Benguela and Huambo.

Thursday 7 May – Field trips	
0800-0930	Flight to Huambo/Benguela (chartered)
1100-1200	Welcome and introduction by local authorities + coffee
1200-1400	Lunch
1430-1700	Various activities including field visits, self-initiated B2Bs and networking (tbd)
1900-2100	Dinner including local stakeholders and businesses

Returns on the same day based on availability of flights (available from Benguela – commercial flight). Introduction of a charter flight based on demand is possible.

Friday 8 May – Field trips continued	
0830-1200	Various activities including field visits, self-initiated B2Bs and networking (tbd)
1200-1400	Lunch and end of mission

Return to Luanda – details will be developed. A TAAG charter flight foreseen for return from Huambo (tbc)