

Centre for Business and Technology in Africa

PANEL DISCUSSION:

*Support Business in Africa during COVID times –
Influence of the Corona crisis*

November 9th, 2020, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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PROGRAMM

15:00 Welcoming adress

by the Vice President for International Affairs,
Prof. Dr. Thomas Schmidt, Founding Director of Centre for
Business and Technology in Africa (CBTA)

15:15 Short introduction to the current situation in Africa

by **Prof. Dr. Stefan Liebing**

15:30 Keynote speech by Edna Schöne, Member of the Board of Euler
Hermes Aktiengesellschaft

15:50 Further contributions

Dr. Josephine Wapakabulo, founder of TIG Africa, inaugural CEO of
Uganda's National Oil Company

Thomas Festerling, CFO & Co-Founder GreenTec Capital Partners

16:10 Open discussion round

17:00 Expected end of the event (Conference language is English)

Moderation: **Prof. Dr. Stefan Liebing**, President of the German
African Business Association



Edna Schöne acts as Member of the Board of Euler Hermes Aktiengesellschaft since 2015. Euler Hermes is the world's largest credit insurer, a company of Allianz. Mrs. Schöne is responsible for the Export Credit Guarantee Scheme of the German Government as well as for Legal & Compliance of the DACH-Region. Being a lawyer she has worked for Euler Hermes in different positions in Legal as well as in Sustainability over the last 20 years. From 2009 to 2015 she was Head of Euler Hermes Liaison Office in Berlin. This office is the interface between Euler Hermes and the German Government. With her profound expertise of German Export Business and the Export Promotion Schemes of the German Government, Mrs. Schöne is a member of several advisory committees to business associations and the export finance industry. Since 2019, she is also Member of the Supervisory Board of TenneT.



Dr. Josephine Wapakabulo founded TIG Africa in 2019 after serving as inaugural CEO of Uganda's National Oil Company where she spearheaded the commercial aspirations of Uganda's nascent Oil & Gas sector securing multibillion-dollar projects with regional and global partners. An electronic & electrical engineer with an executive MBA from INSEAD, she spent 8 years at Rolls-Royce where she was an award-winning innovator. She published a book on the strategic importance of data for international organizations. Building on 20 years' experience in Europe and Africa, she provides companies with solutions, strategies, and human capital development to effectively navigate the unique nuances of conducting business in Africa, and successfully achieve their goals on a Continent that holds tremendous growth opportunities. She is also an Advisory Board Member of the Bloomberg New Economy Forum.



Thomas Festerling is CFO and co-founder, who brought his extensive financial and investment background to the development of GreenTecCapitalPartners of our investment approach. Thomas is our specialist for financing, investor relations and business planning. In the middle of a successful career at Deutsche Bank (DB), Thomas decided to apply his wealth of financial expertise towards work with more direct impact. He started by volunteering with several projects in Africa and Latin America. Experiencing that his abilities and knowledge could make a significant difference for companies as well as projects in Emerging Markets, he decided to make it his full-time business. Thomas was Head of Product Management (International & Customized Funds) at DB's Asset Management subsidiary and was promoted to Director within 5 years, resulting in more than 15 years of financial experience. He has a comprehensive network in the financial industry and speaks fluent German, English, and Spanish.



Prof. h.c. Dr. Stefan Liebing is honorary professor at the CBTA and teaches „Business in African New Markets“ in both the bachelor's and the master's degree programme. He contributes his experience as a private sector executive and business development expert on the African continent. In his main capacity, Stefan Liebing runs an investment and project development firm with special focus on Africa. He is President of the German African Business Association.



Prof. Dr. Thomas Schmidt is the founding director of the centre and is responsible for all partnership projects in the fields of IT and logistics in Africa.



Prof. Dr. Kay Pfaffenberger is the managing director of the centre and contributes with his expertise in the fields of investment, banking and (renewable) energy on the African continent. He acts as the academic representative.

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