

Friday Breakfast*

on Economy and Regional Integration

ZOOM CALL (please register: info@fes-rwanda.org)

Tuesday, 23rd of February 2021 - 08.30am – 11.00am

Artificial intelligence (AI) and economic growth -
What are the Challenges and Opportunities for Africa?

Discussant: Jean Jacques Ndayisenga, Managing Director, Rwanda Trading Company

Moderation: Mary Maina, Program Manager, Cricket Builds Hope

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The idea of the “Friday Breakfast on Economy and Regional Integration” is to

- ✓ link economic questions with Social Protection and Good Governance.
- ✓ inform journalists and other actors on different topics related to Regional Integration and Economy.
- ✓ increase the awareness on international debates.
- ✓ bring experts together by creating a space to discuss relevant issues and current topics.
- ✓ create a well-informed network of Rwandan journalists and non-state .

EPRN and FES Rwanda are hosting the “Friday Breakfast” regularly on a monthly basis. Participants who are interested in the topics and have a focus on Economy and Regional Integration are welcomed and invited. During the “Friday Breakfast” a presentation will be given, followed by a moderated discussion, including questions and answers. The “Friday Breakfast” will not take longer than **90 – 120 minutes**, participants are requested to be on time.

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Artificial intelligence (AI) plays an increasing role in our lives and economy and it is already having an impact on our world in many ways. Worldwide competition for socio-economic development have emerged and how is Africa positioning itself in this trend?

AI is seen by many as an engine of productivity and economic growth. It can increase the efficiency with which things are done and vastly improve the decision-making process by analysing large amounts of data. It can also spawn the creation of new products and services, markets and industries, by boosting consumer demand and generating new revenue streams. Therefore, the central objective of this discussion is to describe the impact of AI in the economic growth and challenges that come along with this trend. In accordance with the moderator Mary Maina, Program Manager, Cricket Builds Hope, Jean Jacques Ndayisenga, Managing Director, Rwanda Trading Company , is going to discuss this topic and engage the audience in the discussion.

Please confirm (not later than Monday, 22nd of February) your participation: info@fes-rwanda.org or info@eprnrwanda.org

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