

African Development Bank Group to Preview 2025 Annual Meetings at Press Conference

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Ahead of its 2025 Annual Meetings, the African Development Bank Group (AfDB) will host a press conference on Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 13:00 GMT. Secretary General Vincent Nmehielle will lead the briefing and will be joined by the Bank Group’s Chief Economist and Vice-President for Economic Governance and Knowledge Management, Kevin Urama.

The press conference will be held in a hybrid format, accommodating both in-person attendees at the Bank’s headquarters in Abidjan and online participants.

The AfDB Group’s 2025 Annual Meetings are scheduled to take place from May 26-30 in Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire, under the theme: “Making the most of Africa’s capital to foster its development.” These high-level meetings serve as the Bank Group’s premier annual event, providing a critical platform to evaluate the institution’s progress in driving Africa’s development agenda and enhancing the quality of life across the continent.

A key highlight of the 2025 Annual Meetings will be the election of the next President of the Bank Group for a five-year renewable term. The current President, Dr. Akinwumi A. Adesina, is concluding his second and final term in office.

The event is expected to draw over 3,000 participants, including heads of state and government, finance ministers and central bank governors from the Bank’s 81 member countries, leaders from financial and development institutions, private sector representatives, academics, civil society organizations, and influential thought leaders.

In addition to the statutory meetings of the Boards of Governors, the 2025 Annual Meetings will feature a series of knowledge-sharing events hosted by the Bank and the host country.

The African Development Bank Group comprises the African Development Bank, the African Development Fund (ADF), its concessional financing arm, and the Nigeria Trust Fund.

This year's gathering marks the 60th Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of the African Development Bank and the 51st Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of the ADF.