



THEME:

African Resourcefulness

**Leading Sustainable Solutions from Self to
Society**

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Summit Brief

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CONCEPT NOTE

We're now past the halfway mark to the 2030 deadline for achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)—and the global reality is sobering. Despite ambitious targets and growing awareness, progress has been slow and uneven. Incremental change won't get us there. Bold, locally grounded solutions are more critical than ever. For Africa, this urgency hits differently.

The pandemic disrupted lives and economies. Conflict, climate change, and shifting donor priorities have added more strain. Yet amid these challenges, the continent continues to shine with its most powerful asset: its people. Innovators, social entrepreneurs, NGOs, and grassroots movements across Africa are rising to meet these challenges with tenacity and vision. But a key obstacle remains—accessing and effectively using the resources they already have. This is where the power of resourcefulness comes in.

At last year's summit, one message echoed across all conversations: Africa doesn't lack ideas—it needs better ways to mobilize and maximize what's already within reach. From informal networks to underutilized infrastructure, from youth talent to community wisdom—resourcefulness is not just a mindset; it's a movement.

This year, we go deeper.



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The 7th Sustaining Impact Summit will explore the theme:

***“African Resourcefulness: Leading Sustainable Solutions
from Self to Society.”***

We'll bring together impact-oriented organizations from across the continent—social enterprises, NGOs, cooperatives, and grassroots organizations— and support institutions to explore how resourcefulness can help us overcome constraints, unlock new possibilities, and drive meaningful progress on the SDGs from the ground up. Over two dynamic days, we will ask:

How can African actors creatively and collaboratively leverage local assets to build solutions that are sustainable, scalable, and deeply rooted in context?

We'll share stories, tools, and strategies that show what's working, what's possible, and how resourcefulness can shift systems—not just projects. This is more than a summit. It's a call to action for all of us working at the intersection of impact and innovation in Africa.

Join us and let's lead the way—from self to society.



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SUMMIT STRUCTURE



Keynotes

The keynote sessions will highlight the role of resourcefulness in sustainable development, with speakers sharing strategies to leverage local resources, overcome challenges, and build a resilient future



Panel discussions

The panel discussions will feature experts sharing insights on resourcefulness at individual, organizational, network, and societal levels, offering practical strategies to inspire meaningful change across society.



Masterclasses

The masterclasses will offer hands-on learning experiences, equipping participants with practical tools and strategies to cultivate resourcefulness, leverage local resources, and drive sustainable impact.



Sustaining Impact Prize

The Sustaining Impact Prize recognizes organizations driving meaningful progress towards the UN SDGs, with a focus on long-term impact, scalability, and economic sustainability for financial resilience and independence.



Networking and more

The summit will provide attendees with opportunities to connect, engage, and collaborate with like-minded individuals and organizations committed to making a positive difference in Africa.



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