

Pre- conference day
16 JUNE 26

INVEST IN THE DRC'S ENERGY SECTOR FORUM	
FOCUS 1: DEVELOPING A STRONGER AND RELIABLE POWER SECTOR THROUGH REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION	
Venue	Hexagone Hall – Lubumbashi
<p><i>The International Energy Agency (IEA) highlights that Africa's energy future will require a balanced mix of fossil fuels and renewable energy to meet growing demand while supporting sustainable development.</i></p> <p><i>During this session, industry experts will examine the main challenges (energy deficit, infrastructure gaps, and investment) and opportunities in the DRC's energy sector and explore opportunities for collaboration through investment and financing mechanisms to support the sector's development.</i></p>	
Morning Activities	
Group1: Securing Energy Supply: Challenges and Pathways	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the optimal market structure for the DRC's electricity sector to balance public oversight and private investment? • Without a reliable energy sector, can ambitions for mineral transformation and the establishment of local processing plants really be achieved? • With immense hydroelectric potential, a very low national rate of access to electricity, significant but largely untapped solar resources, and poorly maintained infrastructure, can we dream of energy security for the development of the mining sector and households in the DRC? • What are the best practices in energy supply and energy security that the DRC should draw on to build a stronger and more reliable energy sector? 	
From Diagnosis to Delivery	
Group 2: Stimulating growth through regional and international partnerships	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can the DRC better integrate into the Southern African Power Pool (SAPP)? • Should energy projects in the DRC be financed through project finance structures or state-backed models? • How can cross-border electricity trade promote the development of the mining sector and industrial growth in Central and Southern Africa? • Could the lack of enthusiasm for collaboration explain the low level of investment in the energy sector in the DRC? • An overview of cross-border energy projects to support high electricity demand and help meet the energy deficit. (Zambia-DRC Link: Kalumbila-Kolwezi); Angola-DRC Connection (Hydro-Link) 	
ACTIVITY 1: EXPERT BRIEF OUTLOOK FOR THE ELECTRICITY SECTOR IN THE DRC	
ACTIVITY 2: PRESENTATION SESSION	
Afternoon Activities	
FOCUS 2: OVERVIEW OF THE INGA 3 PROJECT (2025-2035)	
<p><i>Designed to generate between 3,000 MW and 11,000 MW of power, Inga 3 project is a critical infrastructure project which will alleviate the chronic energy shortage in the DRC and Southern Africa. Since August 2023, ADPI-DRC has engaged strategic discussions with the World Bank with a view to structuring and implementing technical assistance for the Inga 3 project. These discussions have resulted in the design of an ambitious and multidimensional programme for the development of Grand Inga.</i></p> <p><i>ADPI's objective is to make Inga's hydroelectricity a lever for sustainable socio-economic transformation through green and accessible energy, which will be beneficial for all.</i></p> <p>Round table discussion</p>	
ACTIVITY 3: FIRE CHAT ONE - ON-ONE DISCUSSION WITH THE MINISTER OF HYDRAULIC RESOURCES AND ENERGY Theme: The role of government in revitalising the energy sector	
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