

FOURTH STAKE IN THE NATION FORUM

SNF4 Keynote Address:
His Excellency President Adama Barrow
‘Looking Backwards, Moving Forward’

In partnership with Yaram Arts, SNF4 will feature the launch of recordings of Gambian lullabies for diaspora families



TWO-DAY ONLINE EVENT: <https://m.facebook.com/MSDGProject/>

Friday, 8 January 2021: TIME: 6PM to 9PM GMT (1PM to 4PM EST)

<https://zoom.us/j/97308905137?pwd=Vlh6QmVwZm9iM2p4NGZjNEFOTTJGdz09>

Saturday, 9 January 2021: TIME: 12.30PM to 7PM GMT (7.30AM to 2PM EST)

<https://zoom.us/j/91045957286?pwd=RDhZa3JOd1NwT051Zmh0SEthbzNsUT09>

Stake in the Nation Forum (SNF) is mandated as an annual consultative event in the Gambian Diaspora Strategy and The Gambia National Development Plan (page 117, NDP 2018-21):

“SNF will [bring] diaspora groups together to engage with government Ministries, Departments and Agencies, as well as NGOs and CSOs, on a wide range of developmental matters..... to contribute to formal policy, as well as strategic, thematic and sectoral consultations initiated by different government and quasi-government institutions”

Stake in the Nation Forum (SNF) is part of a MSDG Technical Cooperation Programme (TCP), co-financed by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) and GK Partners (GKP); implemented in partnership with the Government of The Gambia

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Plenary Session of the Third Stake in the Nation Forum (SNF3), on Saturday, 18 January 2020

From L to R: Alh. Alieu Momarr Njie, Chairman, Independent Electoral Commission; Prof. Gibril Faal, Director, GK Partners & MSDG Project; H.E. Dr Isatou Touray, Vice President of the Republic of The Gambia; Ms. Fatou Jagne Senghore, Regional Director, ARTICLE 19 West Africa; H.E. Dr Marion Weichelt Krupski; Swiss Ambassador to The Gambia



Plenary Session of the Second Stake in the Nation Forum (SNF2), on Saturday, 12 January 2019

From L to R: Dr. Ruby E.M. Randall, IMF Country Representative; Hon. Hadrammeh Sidibeh, Minister of Youths and Sports; Prof. Gibril Faal, Director of GK Partners & MSDG Project Director; H.E. Ousainu A.N.M. Darboe, Vice President of The Republic of The Gambia; Hon. Dr. Mamadou Tangara, Minister of Foreign Affairs; Hon. Mariama Jack Denton, Speaker of the National Assembly; H.E. Dr Marion Weichelt Krupski, Swiss Ambassador to The Gambia; Ms. Oumie Andrews, Vice President, Gambian Diaspora Healthcare Initiative



Plenary Session of the First Stake in the Nation Forum (SNF1), on Saturday, 13 January 2018

From L to R: Hon. Ousainu A.N.M. Darboe, Minister of Foreign Affairs; Hon. Mariam Jack Denton, Speaker of the National Assembly; H.E. Dr Marion Weichelt Krupski, Swiss Ambassador to The Gambia; H.E. Fatoumata Jallow Tambajang, Vice President; H.E. President Adama Barrow; Prof. Gibril Faal, Director, GK Partners & MSDG Project; Hon. Dr Isatou Touray, Minister of Trade, Industry & Employment; Ms. Fumiko Nagano, IOM Chief of Mission; Hon. Henry Gomez, Minister of Youth & Sports

The main aims of SNF4 are:

- Present update on National Development Plan (NDP) implementation and action points
- Present update on Gambian Diaspora Strategy (GDS) implementation and action points
- Facilitate thematic discussions on practical improvements in NDP implementation
- Dialogue between diaspora-development practitioners, government and Non-State Actors
- Official launch of relevant development policies, programmes or initiatives

Delegates to the SNF4 include:

- Ministers, Permanent Secretaries, Directors, Heads of Agencies, Governors
- Gambian Diaspora Experts and Development Practitioners
- Parliamentarians, Municipal Leaders, Senior Academics and Media Practitioners
- Ambassadors and Representatives of International Organisations and Agencies
- CEOs and Directors of Business and Civil Society Organisations
- Representatives of Youth and Women Organisations
- Representatives of Professional and Labour Organisations

Friday & Saturday, 8 & 9 January 2021

Friday, 8 January 2021 (6PM to 9PM GMT)	
6.00 – 6.05PM:	Online Log-in and Project Presentations
6.05 – 6.30PM:	<p>CULTURAL LAUNCH:</p> <p>‘Recordings of Gambian Lullabies for Diaspora Families’</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <p>Ms. Neneh Bojang – Vice Chair, Gambia House & Presenter, Mamos Media (Norway) Mr. Njok Malik Jeng – Music Promoter & Director of Yaram Arts (UK) Ms. Amie Cherry – Gambian Traditional Singer and Artist (UK) Ms. Kumba Kuyateh – Gambian Traditional Singer and Artist (UK)</p>
6.30 – 9.00PM:	<p>INTERACTIVE THEMATIC WEBINAR:</p> <p>‘Appreciating and Advancing Gambian Culture in a Changing World’</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <p>Prof. Pierre Gomez, Deputy Vice Chancellor Academics, University of The Gambia</p> <p>Keynote Speakers:</p> <p>Ms. Sona Jobarteh – International Award Winning Musician (UK) Dr. Momodou Sallah – Academic, Writer & Publisher, De Montfort University (UK)</p> <p>Discussants:</p> <p>Dr. Chemo Omar Barry – President, Writers’ Association of The Gambia Ms. Kadija George Sesay MBE – Writer, Publisher & Co-Founder of Mboka Festival (UK) Mr. Hassoum Ceesay – Director General, National Council for Arts and Culture Mr. Njok Malik Jeng – Music Promoter & Director of Yaram Arts (UK) Mr. Abdou Karim Waagan Fye – Co-Founder, Open Mic Festival Prof. Bala Saho – Department of History, University of Oklahoma (USA)</p>
Saturday, 9 January 2021 (12.30PM to 2.30PM GMT)	
12.30 – 1.00PM:	Online Log-in and Project Presentations
1.00 – 2.30PM:	<p>FORMAL STATEMENTS:</p> <p>SNF4 Theme: ‘Looking Backwards, Moving Forward’</p> <p>Forum Moderator:</p> <p>Ms. Neneh Bojang – Vice Chair, Gambia House & Presenter, Mamos Media (Norway)</p> <p>Opening Prayers:</p> <p>Imam Alhaji Basiru Drammeh and Rev. Pierre Thomas Bass</p> <p>SNF4 Statements:</p> <p>Mr. Buah Saïdy – Governor of the Central Bank of The Gambia (CBG) <i>Represented by First Deputy Governor, Dr. Seeku Jaabi</i> H.E. Dr. Marion Weichelt Krupski – Switzerland Ambassador to The Gambia Ms. Elizabeth Sosseh Sisay-Banya – Accountant and Company Director (UK) Alh. Alieu Momarr Njai – Chairman, Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) Prof. Gibril Faal – Director of GK Partners & MSDG Project (UK)</p> <p>SNF4 Presidential Address by H.E. President Adama Barrow Delivered by the Vice President, H.E. Dr. Isatou Touray</p>

Saturday, 9 January 2021 (2.30PM to 4.45PM GMT)	
2.30 – 4.45PM:	<p>INTERACTIVE THEMATIC WEBINAR:</p> <p>‘Development Review: Lessons, Actions and Diaspora Input’</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Amina Sillah – Assistant Professor, Towson University, Maryland (USA)</p> <p>Keynote Speakers: Hon. Mambury Njie – Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs Mr. Pa Samba Jow – Vice-Chair, DUGA & Co-Host ‘For the People, By the People’ Show (USA)</p> <p>Discussants: Mr. Edrissa Mass Jobe – President, Gambia Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GCCl) Ms. Musu Komma-Bah – Country Director, ChildFund International (Gambia) Mr. Marr Nyang – Executive Director, Gambia Participates Mr. Amadou Gaye – Development Practitioner & International Development Specialist Ms. Elizabeth Sosseh Sisay-Banya, Accountant and Company Director (UK)</p>
Saturday, 9 January 2021 (4.45PM to 7.15 PM GMT)	
4.45 – 7.05PM:	<p>INTERACTIVE THEMATIC WEBINAR:</p> <p>‘Gambian Diaspora Voting and Representation: Actions and Logistics’</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Fatou Muloshi – Presenter, Gambia Radio and Television Services (GRTS)</p> <p>Keynote: Mr. James Jeggan Bahoum – MSDG Project Adviser (UK) Hon. Aboubacry Diallo – Diaspora Member of the 13th Legislature (USA) <i>National Assembly of Senegal, Diaspora Constituency of ‘The Americas and Oceania’</i></p> <p>Discussants: Mr. Samboujang Njie, Chief Electoral Officer, Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) Mr. Chernon Omar Kebbeh – Government Economist and Researcher (USA) Dr. Satang Nabaneh – Founder and Director, Law Hub Gambia (USA) Ms. Soffie Ceesay – Executive, African Immigrant Caucus & DUGA Founding Member (USA) Mr. Joseph Joey Goswell – Gambian Elections Analyst (UK)</p>
7.05 – 7.15PM:	CONCLUDING REMARKS: Prof. Gibril Faal, Director of GK Partners & MSDG Project (UK)

(The MSDG Project expresses thanks and gratitude to all the speakers, moderators & partners, and to the media houses & online platforms, especially Mamos Media, Kerr Fatou & GRTS)

SNF3: 18 January 2020: ‘Development Practice and Institution Building’: Workshop 1: Practicalities of Supporting Health and Medical Services; Workshop 2: Practicalities of Supporting Education and Skills Development; Workshop 3: Practicalities of Diaspora Business and Investment; Workshop 4: Diaspora in the Draft Constitution and in Policy Development.

SNF2: 12 January 2019: ‘Improving Implementation, Delivery and Impact’: Workshop 1: Constitutional Review Consultations; Workshop 2: Health and Medical Services; Workshop 3: Integrated Rural Development; Workshop 4: Sustainable Careers for Young People.

SNF1: 13 January 2018: ‘Attaining Progress in the New Gambia’: Workshop 1: Human Rights and Access to Justice for All; Workshop 2: Information and Communication Technology; Workshop 3: Agriculture and Agribusiness; Workshop 4: Education and Employment; Workshop 5: Health and Medical Services; Workshop 6: Infrastructure and Industrial Development.