

17th - 18th February, 2026



6th Edition

AGENDA



VENUES

17th - 18th February, 2026



NIGERIA'S TECH LEADERSHIP ROUNDTABLE

**Fourpoints By
Sheraton, VI, Lagos**

17th February, 2026



AFTER DARK HOURS

**The Garden,
Ikoyi, Lagos**

17th February, 2026



MAIN EVENT

**Landmark Event
Centre, VI, Lagos**

18th February, 2026



BEST OF NIGERIA'S TECH? JOIN US AS WE SET THE INDUSTRY'S FUTURE

Now in its 6th year, Lagos Tech Fest stands as one of Nigeria's premier gatherings for startups, innovators, investors, industry leaders, and policymakers. The event brings together the entire technology value chain from fintech leaders, venture capitalists, infrastructure providers, regulators, and global tech executives, to shape the future of Nigeria's tech ecosystem through conferences, exhibitions, networking, and investment conversations.

The **2026 edition** will span over two days:

Day One: Leadership Roundtable - an exclusive, closed-door strategy session for Nigeria's most influential technology executives, investors, policymakers, and government leaders.

Day Two: Lagos Tech Fest Main Event - four simultaneous stages hosting cutting-edge conversations, startup showcases, demo experiences, and ecosystem networking at scale.

With a strong focus on emerging technologies, investment flows, digital infrastructure, financial inclusion, regulation, creator economy, and startup growth, Lagos Tech Fest 2026 promises to be the most influential edition yet.

**WHEREVER YOU SIT IN NIGERIA'S TECH, OUR CONTENT TRACKS RESONATES
WITH YOUR INDUSTRY. **WE WILL EXPLORE CONVERSATIONS ACROSS;****



Big Tech &
Enterprise



VC/PE &
Debt Funding



Stablecoins
& Crypto



Creative
Economy &
New Media



Future of
Commerce



Payments
& Banking



Fintech



Founder
& Startup



Emerging
Technologies
& AI



Government,
Regulation and
Policy



Financial
Inclusion



Talent &
Workforce



Climate Tech
& Renewables



Digital
Infrastructure

Day One - FEBRUARY 17TH, 2026

LEADERSHIP ROUNDTABLE (CLOSED-DOOR)

Roundtable: AI Unleashed: Data, Trust & The Future of Technology in Africa

AI has become the foundation of global competitiveness. As African economies accelerate digital adoption, leaders face urgent questions around data governance, cloud infrastructure, AI regulation, and workforce capability. This closed-door roundtable will gather founders, regulators, investors and innovators to shape a unified view of AI readiness and opportunity.



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CEO, Open Access
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**Abdelaziz
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Country General
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Francis Sani
Programme Director,
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HMFCIDE

Day One - FEBRUARY 17TH, 2026

LEADERSHIP ROUNDTABLE (CLOSED-DOOR)

Executive Strategy Session: For Next-Level Growth: Accelerating Innovation, Investment & Scaling at Every Stage

A strategic conversation for founders leading Series A+ companies, unicorn candidates, major investors, DFIs, and corporate innovation leaders. The discussion focuses on navigating the capital crunch, scaling sustainably, and positioning Nigeria as Africa's innovation capital.



Adedeji Olowe
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**Omoruyi
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Founder, EandC Legal



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**Oswald Osaretin
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Managing Partner,
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Day Two - FEBRUARY 18TH, 2026

MAIN EVENT (OPEN CONFERENCE)

4 Stages running simultaneously:

- 1. INNOVATION STAGE:** Flagship Ideas & Industry Transformations
- 2. FOUNDER STAGE:** Operator Knowledge, Real Stories, Practical Playbooks
- 3. MONEY STAGE:** Finance, Capital, Fintech, and Investment
- 4. CREATIVITY STAGE:** Creators, Culture & Digital Lifestyle

INNOVATION STAGE PANEL SESSIONS

The Relentless Need for Exits in Africa: VCs' Guide to Market in 2026

Africa's tech ecosystem has achieved impressive milestones, yet it still faces a fundamental challenge: a chronic shortage of liquidity and exits. This session takes a hard, realistic look at the structural and market conditions holding back exits and highlights the emerging opportunities that could unlock liquidity. Panelists will break down what the next generation of exits could look like in 2026 and beyond, and how the ecosystem can transition from early "funding-first" growth to a more sustainable, value-driven, mature landscape.



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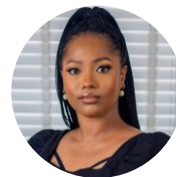
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MD/CEO,
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Program Director,
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Tech Is Only Half the Story: People & Strategy as the Real Drivers of Growth

African founders often obsess over product development, market launches, and fundraising, but many fast-growing companies collapse not because the technology didn't work, but because the organization behind it couldn't scale. This session explores the "non-technical" side of high-growth startups and unpack the subtle but critical factors that make one startup succeed while another fails, even with similar market conditions. Panellists will share practical, experience-driven strategies for navigating growth, achieving alignment, and shaping organizations capable of scaling sustainably, even in volatile markets.



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CEO, Bluechip
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**Napa
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Managing Partner,
PlacidCode Labs



**Abasi
Ene-Obong**

CEO, Syndicate Bio



Emeka Ajene

Founder & CEO,
Afridigest

Starting at Home: Making African Fintech Truly Global

African fintechs have become some of the continent's most successful startup categories, but the next frontier is global expansion. This session will discuss what it takes to scale African fintech products into Europe, the Middle East, Asia, and North America. The conversation will also examine why local dominance still matters, how to win trust in foreign markets, and the emerging opportunities in B2B payments, embedded finance, remittances, and digital banking.



Tayo Oviosu
CEO, Paga



Uzoma Dozie
CEO, Sparkle



**Adesuwa
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Co-founder,
Accrue



**Wale
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CEO &
Co-Founder,
TetradPay



**Ashwin
Ravichandran**
Head of Product,
BMONI

The Fourth Generation of Crypto: Where TradFi Meets DeFi

Crypto is entering a new era beyond hype, speculation, and volatility. The "fourth generation" of crypto is defined by real utility, institutional adoption, regulatory clarity, tokenized assets, and deeper integration with traditional financial systems. Africa, with its history of leapfrogging technologies, stands at the frontier of this convergence. This session examines how banks, fintechs, central banks, payment companies, and crypto-native protocols are collaborating to build the next phase of digital finance. Panelists will analyse what this future looks like for Nigeria, especially as regulators navigate fraud risks, consumer protection, capital controls, and the need to support innovation responsibly.



**Ayotunde
Alabi**
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**Stephanie David
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Software Marketer,
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**Bidemi
Oke**
CEO, FlashChange

CREATIVITY STAGE PANEL

Creators, Copyright & Copycats: The Pulse of Africa's Creative Economy

Africa's creative economy is experiencing one of the most dynamic growth phases in its history, yet the market's commercial potential remains significantly under-realized largely because creators continue to face structural barriers that undermine value capture and long-term financial sustainability. This session takes a deep dive into the real economics of African creativity. It examines how creators lose income through piracy, unauthorized distribution, weak copyright enforcement, opaque contracts, lack of transparency in streaming payouts, and limited access to legal and financial infrastructure. It also explores how digital platforms, tech tools, and emerging IP-driven business models can shift power back to creators. Panelists will unpack the next frontier of Africa's creative industry.



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FOUNDER STAGE PANEL

Strategy, Storytelling & Narrative: The Secret Superpower of Startups

In the startup world, narrative is currency. Stories shape investor confidence, customer trust, media visibility, hiring, and even government relations. This session teaches founders how to craft a compelling narrative that aligns mission, product, market, and ambition. Panelists will explain how global founders use storytelling to influence valuations, attract top talent, reposition competitors, and create powerful emotional resonance with customers.



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Senior Counsel,
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MONEY STAGE PANEL

Beyond the Bank: How APIs Power the 'Embedded Everything' Economy

In 2026, APIs run the digital economy, enabling payments, lending, identity, compliance, logistics, insurance, and more. African companies are shifting from standalone products to embedded solutions, where financial and technical services live inside everyday digital experiences. This session explores how new API infrastructures are rewriting industry dynamics, lowering barriers to innovation, and creating new monetization opportunities across sectors.



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Growth Lead, Cleva



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