

LSE Africa Summit

Recruitment – Speaker Coordinators Team

Job Title: **Speaker Coordinator(s)**

Start Date: October 2020

Summit date: March/April 2021

Application deadline: 13 September 2020

Remuneration: Voluntary

**** Applicants must be currently enrolled as a student at the LSE ****

About the LSE Africa Summit

The LSE Africa Summit is a two-day Conference focused on addressing the salient issues facing the African continent. The LSE Africa Summit brings together political, research and business leaders – those pushing Africa to the forefront of the global agenda – to engage with the pertinent themes of health, education, business, and governance on the continent.

About the role

As a Speaker Coordinator, you will work alongside other speaker coordinators and the Head of Speaker coordinators. You will be responsible for assisting in the management of all content related aspects of the conference. You will be involved in defining each panels scope

of discussion, researching, inviting, and managing speakers.

Key responsibilities

- Content framing: you will help determine subject matter for each panel, breakout session, etc.
- Speaker management: you and your team will conduct research for speaker selection, find contacts, write and send invitations, work alongside the logistics team to ensure that visas, travel, and accommodation are organised, and keep speakers up to date on the agenda, major topics of discussion etc. During the event you will be responsible for ensuring that speakers needs are met and that the events stay on schedule
- Moderator management: you will research, invite, and work alongside moderators to build content around each panel/session

Key Abilities Required

- Excellent organisational skills
- Strong problem-solving skills
- Effective communication abilities - both with speakers and with team members
- Be prepared to balance their studies with a full-time commitment to organising the summit

Why should you apply?

- Network opportunities within the LSE and beyond. You will also have the opportunity to engage with pioneering business and/or research personalities across different sectors, policy makers, think tanks and academics working in and on Africa.
- Enrich your knowledge on Africa's most pressing issues.

- Build important relationships who could potentially become your mentor, colleagues and peers.
- Remain close to the industry, developing and influencing high-level contacts.
- Be part of an engaged and ambitious team.

Please submit your CV and a short cover email outlining your suitability for the Summit and the role to africasummit@lse.ac.uk by 13 September 2020.

Thank you for your interest. We look forward to hearing from you!

NB: We would like to stress that this is a demanding role and whoever is applying for this must be committed and dedicated to the summit and the workload attached to this role. As we are all students and have our academics to focus on, it is important that the candidate is aware of the time demand for this role and must be able to effectively manage his/her time so that neither the summit nor academics negatively impact on the other. Finally, whilst we intend to deliver this event in its physical form, as the COVID-19 situation develops it is possible that this event could move to a digital-only platform, which may require more time to plan for this contingency.