



# AFRICAN RENAISSANCE AND DIASPORA NETWORK

*PATHWAY TO SOLUTION*

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**Dear Friends and Supporters of ARDN,**

It is with great pleasure that we announce the first edition of ARDN'S newsletter, highlighting the activities accomplished this year up to the month of May 2019 and previewing upcoming events in July, August and September. There is also a special section with links to related activities at the United Nations.

Under the auspices of the United Nations Deputy-Secretary-General, the African Renaissance and Diaspora Network has developed and is implementing a special project for the United Nations whose main objective is to popularize the Sustainable Development goals (SDGs) in Africa and the Diaspora.

To achieve this goal, we mobilize and leverage the passion of government, educators, artists,

We sincerely hope this newsletter will serve to introduce the breadth and global premise of our programs. I look forward to getting your feedback.

**Yours in Partnership,**  
Dr Djibril DIALLO,  
President and CEO of ARDN

intellectuals, journalists, the private sector, civil society, youth and other stakeholders.

Every person and every organization is a partner in this world, whether they know it or accept it. All of us depend on our common home, therefore we have a responsibility to safeguard it and uplift all its peoples.

The United Nations Sustainability Development Goals (SDGs) provide a holistic framework to achieve the world we want – a world defined by the values enshrined in the UN Charter: peace, justice, freedom, respect, social progress, equal rights and human dignity, human rights, tolerance and solidarity. Together, as partners for the SDGs, we can create a better world.

This year, ARDN is focusing on several activities around the Sustainable Development Goals including a Forum on 7 to 8 of July in Niamey, (Niger) on the topic of Youth and Climate Change, occurring during the mid-year Summit of the African Union. ARDN is also providing a focus on empowerment of women during the 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup in France, and in New York on the occasion of its annual event called "AFRICA OPEN FOR BUSINESS", during the UN General Assembly.

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**SAVE THE DATE TOWARDS A GREENER AFRICA (NIAMEY, NIGER) 7-8 July 2019**

**A side event associated with the  
Mid-Year Coordination meeting of  
The African Union  
Niamey, Niger  
7 and 8 July 2019**

The African Renaissance and Diaspora Network (ARDN), under the auspices of H.E. Mahamadou Issoufou, President of Niger, is presenting a special side event on climate change and the need for “Greening the Sahel,” coinciding with the mid-year meeting of the African Union.

This event is part of ARDN's Pathway to Solutions initiative -- a special project for the United Nations to advance the Sustainable Development Goals.

To learn more about the initiative, go to:

<https://www.ardn.ngo/pathway/>



## FOR GREENER AFRICA, ARDN GETS ALERT



(Niger, Niamey): An official delegation of the Network of the African Renaissance and the Diaspora (ARDN) carried out a mission from 07 to 10 May as part of the preparations for the parallel conference of the African Union (AU) to mobilize young people, the private sector, the diaspora, the government and communities and other stakeholders to address climate change in Africa in line with the Renaissance and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) programs.



Read the Full Story Here:

<https://www.ardn.ngo/for-greener-africa-ardn-gets-alert/>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Fgh9R96tPk>

ARDN participates in the dialogue on peace and prosperity in the Sahel



(Italy, Bellagio): The African Renaissance and Diaspora Network (ARDN), represented by Dr. Djibril Diallo, participated in a dialogue on peace and prosperity in the Sahel from 14 to 17 May in Italy. Organized by the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) in partnership with the Rockefeller Foundation, this dialogue was under the theme “A Land of Opportunity: Defining Contextual and Practical Solutions for Sustainable Peace and Security” in the Sahel.

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<https://www.ardn.ngo/ardn-participates-in-the-political-dialogue-on-peace-and-prosperity-in-the-sahel/>

## UP COMING EVENTS

**June 7 to July 7:** 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup (France)

**July 7 to 8:** Youth and Climate Change Forum during the Africa Union Summit (Niamey-Niger)

**25 September 2019:** " AFRICA OPEN BUSINESS "during the UN General Assembly (New York)



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