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08:30 h ◆ **PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION**

09:00 h ◆ **OPENING SESSION**

- **José Alberto González-Ruiz Martínez**, Secretary General of CEOE.
- **Pedro Alfonso**, President of CEOE Tenerife.
- **Pedro Ortega**, President of the Canary Islands Confederation of Businessmen.
- **Jimena Delgado-Taramona**, Deputy Minister of Economy and Internationalization of the Government of the Canary Islands.
- **Juan Luis Gimeno**, Director General of Economic and Commercial Intelligence at the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Business.

10:00 h ◆ **PANEL I**

THE GLOBAL GATEWAY INITIATIVE: OPPORTUNITIES FOR SPANISH COMPANIES IN AFRICA

- **Kamel Moula**, President of the Council of the Economic Renovation of Algeria (CREA).
- **Javier Salvador**, Chief Financial Officer of MEDUSA Submarine Cable System.
- **Blanca Perea**, Director of Network Regulation and Integration at NATURGY.
- **Mário Nelson Santos**, Vice President of the Angolan Chamber of Commerce and Industry.
- **Alex Frimpong**, CEO of the Ghana Employers Association (GEA).

MODERATOR: **Anetha Awuku**, Director of Partnerships and Strategies at the International Organisation of Employers (IOE).

11:00 h ◆ **COFFEE BREAK**

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PANEL II

THE ROLE OF PORTS IN THE RESILIENCE OF GLOBAL SUPPLY CHAINS

- **Adil Rais**, Co-President of the Morocco-Spain Economic Council (CEMAES) / Regional General Vice-President CGEM Tangier-Tétouan-Al Hoceima.
- **Alexandre Furlan**, Vice President of the National Confederation of Industry of Brazil (CNI).
- **Antonio Méndez Nombela**, CEO of ALTAIR.
- **Miriam Ramos**, Commercial Director of ENAPOR, Ports of Cape Verde.
- **António Nabo Martins**, Director General of the Portuguese Association of Freight Forwarders.

MODERATOR: **Cristina Riestra López**, Director of the Department of Industry, Energy, Environment and Climate at CEOE.

12:30 h

PANEL III

TALENT AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING AS A LEVER FOR COOPERATION AND INVESTMENT IN THE ATLANTIC

- **Mohamed Lemine Dereghly**, Director of Training and Employment at the National Union of Mauritanian Employers (UNPM).
- **Jin Taira**, Vice-Rector for Internationalization and Cooperation at the University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria.
- **Florencia Suau**, Head of the Education, Technology and Productive Innovation department of the Argentine Industrial Union (UIA).
- **Pedro Rafael Pérez**, Vice President of Mercosur at the Ibero-American Federation of Young Entrepreneurs (FIJE) / Director of CONAJE Brazil.

MODERATOR: **Juan Carlos Tejeda Hisado**, Director of the Education and Training Department of CEOE.

13:30 h

CLOSING SESSION

- **Agustín Manrique de Lara**, Technical Secretary General of the Ibero-African Business Forum (IBAFCAN).
- **Jordi Colgan**, Director General of Economic Diplomacy at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation.
- **Nairimas Ole-Sein**, Ambassador of Kenya in Spain.
- **Armindo Monteiro**, President of the Portuguese Business Confederation.

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COCKTAIL-NETWORKING

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