



SpeakUpAfrica.

SPEAK UP AFRICA DAY 2025

***AFRICA SPEAKS,
AFRICA SOLVES***

ABOUT SPEAK UP AFRICA

Speak Up Africa is an African-led, Senegal-based organization dedicated to building an Africa where growth and sustainable development are driven by Africa's own citizens.

We convene, enable, and advocate. Through strategic communications and advocacy, we support African leaders and citizens to take an active role in developing solutions to the continent's most pressing challenges, from malaria, neglected tropical diseases (NTDs), immunization, and sanitation, to gender equality and global health research and development.

From our base in Dakar, Senegal, our nimble, bilingual team partners with leaders and changemakers across Africa to put in place the right policies and secure the necessary resources to deliver on the African Union's Agenda 2063 and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

We leverage deep relationships with governments, communities, civil society, the media, business leaders, and global decision-makers to create dialogue and inspire lasting change. Grounded in African realities yet globally connected, we bridge local priorities with global agendas, always working to ensure that every man, woman, and child can live a long and healthy life.

SPEAK UP AFRICA DAY

Speak Up Africa Day is our flagship event dedicated to celebrating African leadership, amplifying local solutions, and driving collective action for health and sustainable development.

The Day convenes diverse stakeholders, from government, private sector, civil society, and media, to exchange best practices, forge new partnerships, and mobilize resources to accelerate progress across the continent.

Launched in 2024 with participation from over 40 organizations, the inaugural edition sparked high-level commitments on health research and development, digital health, gender inclusion, and sustainable financing. The 2025 edition will transform dialogue into tangible action.

OBJECTIVES

- ▶ **Showcase progress:** Celebrate African-led wins in sustainable development and secure fresh commitments.
- ▶ **Forge coalitions:** Strengthen inclusive alliances across government, civil society, private sector, media, and youth with shared accountability.
- ▶ **Elevate voices:** Place underrepresented voices at the center, ensuring policies and programs reflect community evidence and lived realities.

AGENDA

Time (GMT)	Session
09:00–10:00	Opening Ceremony Country Leadership & Resilience in the New Global Health Era
10:00–10:30	Networking break
10:30–13:00	Plenary Panel: Owning the Narrative, Driving the Solution Showcasing country-led achievements and unlocking sustainable financing for lasting impact
13:00–14:00	Lunch & Networking
14:00–16:30	Solutions Labs: Co-Creating the Path Forward
	1. Invest in African Leadership Building an enabling ecosystem to unlock African pharmaceutical production and distribution
	2. Voices to Solutions Harnessing storytelling and feminist networks to power transformative movements
	3. Change the Story, Change the Outcomes Shaping public narratives with journalists and decision-makers to drive accountability and systemic change
	4. Parliamentary Leadership for Sustainable Health Financing Mobilizing parliamentarians to champion sustainable health financing and strengthen accountability across Africa
16:30–17:30	Closing Plenary: The Big Four Solutions
17:30 -19:00	Cocktail & Networking Reception

CALL TO ACTION

Speak Up Africa Day 2025 is more than an event — it is a catalyst for African-led action. It accelerates progress toward the African Union’s Agenda 2063 and the Sustainable Development Goals, reaffirming that lasting change starts with local leadership.

Join us to celebrate leadership, amplify solutions, and drive collective action for Africa’s future.