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TICAD V High Level Panel Discussion on Youth and Employment: Empowering Young Africans to Live Their Dreams

Background: While Africa's economic growth has been impressive, nearly all young Africans struggle in joblessness or in jobs that are insecure and pay low wages. Most have under-developed human capital and their capacity to earn is limited, due to insufficient nutrition during their early childhood, poor health, and inadequate education. For the relatively well educated, good jobs are few and far between. The youth thus constitutes a potent force of discontent. Yet young Africans are vibrant, talented, and entrepreneurial. The projected rapid expansion of youth population can be a comparative strength of the African continent in the aging global economy. The African Development Bank, the World Bank, Kobe University, and JICA will co-organize the High Level Panel Discussion and discuss how the African youth can be transformed from a time bomb to a driving force for growth and development, with African Political Leaders and Heads of the Institutions at TICAD V in Yokohama, Japan.

1. Date: June 2nd (Sun.), 2013
2. Time: 15:30 – 17:00
3. Venue: Silk Room, InterContinental Yokohama Grand
4. Moderator: Ms. Aiko DODEN, Senior Commentator, NHK
5. Program (Language: English, French, and Japanese)

Time	Detail
15:30 – 15:40	Presentation of JICA-AfDB-WB Joint recommendation paper on youth employment in Africa
15:40 – 16:15	Initial interventions by panelists <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ H.E. Ali Bongo Ondimba, President, Gabon ➤ H.E. Jacob Zuma, President, South Africa ➤ H.E. Jakaya Kikwete, President, Tanzania ➤ Dr. Jim Yong Kim, President, World Bank ➤ Dr. Donald Kaberuka, President, African Development Bank ➤ Dr. Rachel Glennerster, Executive Director, J-PAL, MIT ➤ Dr. Akihiko Tanaka, President, JICA
16:15 – 16:50	Open discussions
16:50 – 17:00	Summing-up

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