

Riek Machar to attend Business and Security Forum

It was announced on Monday, 30 July 2012, that the vice president of South Sudan, Dr Riek Machar will be attending the forthcoming Africa Forum on Business and Security along senior ministers from Kenya and other African countries. The forum will take place from 13-14 September at Nairobi's Laico Regency Hotel, Kenya.

It is reported that Machar has been a key figure in developing the fledgling economy of the world's newest state since it attained independence from Sudan just over a year ago.

At the Africa Forum on Business and Security, Machar and other statesmen will rub shoulders with business leaders, investors, security experts and decision-makers from all over Africa and beyond.

"The Africa Forum on Business and Security is taking place at a very interesting and important time for Africa," says Peris Wanjiru of conference organisers ICWE. "Many African economies are growing at six or seven per cent a year. The one thing that can hold us back now is a failure to address the security challenges that confront us. This ground breaking, pan-African dialogue between the public and private sectors will make a real difference."

The conference will focus on dealing with persistent problems, attracting investors, protecting vulnerable sectors and securing growth. It will also consider the immense opportunities for African business in delivering security, investment, skills and jobs.

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