

## Rotary International celebrates 100 years in Africa with CSI showcase

This year Rotary International is celebrating 100 years in Africa. The Zone 22 Rotary Africa Centennial International Conference will take place virtually on 24 and 25 April. Running parallel to this year's conference, from the 23-25 April, is the African House of Friendship Virtual Projects Fair where organisations are invited to showcase their CSI initiatives to potential donors and funders.



The exhibition plans to unpack the latest trends, challenges and innovations in the local and international socio-economic, impact investing and volunteering space.

"In commemorating 100 years in Africa, we celebrate a global network of passionate and dedicated problem-solvers who take action to create lasting change. Rotary International invites innovative companies, those with ground-breaking products, and individuals whose services and solutions have the potential to move the continent forward, to join our virtual exhibition in April," says district governor Annemarie Mostert, chairperson of the 2021 African Centennial Celebrations.

Bookings to secure exhibition space at the Rotary International Virtual House of Friendship are now open via Webtickets.



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Speakers at the conference include Kenyan designer and eco-innovator Anyango Mpinga who has taken inspiration from her culture and childhood in Nairobi and whose circular fashion now features at leading fashion weeks across the globe, including Tokyo and Paris; Dr Tunji Funsho, chair of Rotary's Nigeria National PolioPlus Committee who was last year named as one of *Time*'s 100 Most Influential People in honour of his work toward eradicating polio in Africa; and Anne Githuku-Shongwe, the representative for UN Women's South Africa Multi-Country Office (SAMCO) which is responsible for women's empowerment and gender equality in Botswana, Lesotho, Swaziland, Namibia and South Africa.

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