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## EDITORIAL

*After a long hiatus, it really is great to be back – to a new month and new vistas ahead.*

*Like a boat on the ocean, the passage will inevitably be rough at times, but APN is certainly poised to weather all storms, especially now it has moved into a new office that will allow her to redefine and enhance its work dynamic. The middle of the year is an opportunity for renewal and strength; and APN has packed reserves of this - ready for the next level!*

Happy reading,  
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## SECRETARY GENERAL OF AFCFTA URGES LEGISLATIONS ON CUSTOM MANAGEMENT AND PROCEDURES TO BE FASTTRACKED



**M**ember states must speed up their legislations on customs cooperations and procedures. The secretary General of AfCFTA Secretariat made this remarks when he spoke to the executive director of APN Group, Louis Yaw Afful.

He expressed his frustration about the slow pace of the process and is determined to ensure full trading starts in July. He is to meet the African trade ministers Council. The SG has ensure almost 87.13 percent of Rules of Origin is ready alongside the manual on various tariffs.



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## AFRICA CEO FORUM: ECONOMIC SOVEREIGNTY AT THE HEART OF THE DEBAT



### Strong public-private dialogue

Whether it is reducing food import bill (projected at \$110bn by 2025), regaining control of digital data (80% of which is stored outside Africa) or manufacturing medicines locally, the quest for greater economic autonomy is becoming a central feature of public policy on the continent. However, the implementation of these strategies must be based on a solid public-private dialogue involving the African champions of today and preparing the ground for those of tomorrow, as demonstrated by the recent successes of Morocco in logistics and Nigeria in the cement sector.

**T**he Africa CEO Forum is back. For the first time since 2019, the largest gathering of the African private sector will be held face-to-face on 13 and 14 June at the Sofitel Ivoire in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire. More than 1,500 participants are expected to attend, including the heads of large African and international companies as well as heads of state and government.

During the two days of discussions, the focus will be on Africa's economic sovereignty at a time when the Covid-19 crisis, which has profoundly disrupted global economies and supply chains, and the consequences of the war in Ukraine have shown the continent's overdependence on the rest of the world, including for its most vital needs.

How can African economies emerge from global shocks? Which sectors should states target in their quest for sovereignty, and what impact might this have on the development of the African common market? How can the African private sector contribute to the continent's food self-sufficiency? Or how can the financing of large infrastructure projects be Africanised? The Africa CEO Forum community will try to propose answers to all these questions.

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