



RUFORUM 21ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2025

CONCEPT NOTE

OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE 21ST RUFORUM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



THEME

Positioning Africa's Universities and the Higher Education Sector to effectively impact development processes on the continent

Hosts:

The Government of Botswana and
RUFORUM member Universities in Botswana led by Botswana University of
Agriculture and Natural Resources

Venue:

Gaborone International Conference Centre, Botswana

Date: Monday 1st December 2025

Time: 11:00-13:00 CAT (12:00-14:00 EAT | 09:00-12:00 GMT)

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Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/3LO3giz>

Program

Official Opening Ceremony for 21st Annual General Meeting

Director of Ceremonies: TBD by LOC

Session Rapporteurs: Mr. Emmanuel Okalany, Mr. Yamungu Boniface Alongo and Mr. Moses Waswa

10:30-11:00	Arrival of Guests /Refreshments Entertainment by RUFORUM Member Universities Choirs in Botswana and/or Traditional Dancers
Conference Welcome Remarks	
11:00-11:10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Botswana National Anthem Southern African Development Community (SADC) Anthem African Union Anthem
11:10-11:20	Remark - Prof. Ketlhatlogile Mosepele, Vice Chancellor, Botswana University of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Botswana
11:20-11:30	Remark - Prof. Patrick Okori, Executive Secretary, RUFORUM
11:30-11:40	Remark - Prof. Theresia Nkuo-Akenji, RUFORUM Board Chair and Vice Chancellor, University of Bamenda, Cameroon
11:40-11:50	Entertainment by RUFORUM Member Universities Choirs in Botswana and/or Traditional Dancers
Conference Addresses	
11:50-12:00	Remarks by Hon. Prince Maele, Minister of Higher Education, Botswana
12:00-12:10	Remarks by H.E. Elias Magosi, Executive Secretary, Southern African Development Community (SADC)
12:10-12:20	RUFORUM Documentary
Official Opening of AGM Address	
12:20-12:30	Introducing the Guest of Honour: His Hon. Ndaba Nkosinathi Gaolathe, Vice President and Finance Minister, Botswana
12:30-12:50	Official AGM Opening Address: H.E. Advocate Duma Gideon Boko, President of the Republic of Botswana
12:50-13:00	Official Photograph with H.E. Advocate Duma Gideon Boko, President of the Republic of Botswana
13:00-13:30	Official Viewing of Posters and Exhibitions Led by H.E. Advocate Duma Gideon Boko, President of the Republic of Botswana
13:30-14:00	End of session and Lunch Break
14:00-15:00	Viewing of Posters and Exhibitions by Conference Participants