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F3 Global Advisory Group LLC and Partners have organized an international conference entitled, **“The S.T.E.M. R&D: Growing Markets, Growing Opportunities”** and to be held **April 23, 2020** in **Washington, D. C., USA**. The conference is part of a week-long series of innovation (April 20-24, 2020) that focuses on gathering and connecting academia, industry, and government representatives, and with an aim of networking and initiation collaborations among the U.S., Africa, the Caribbean, and Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) participants. The following is a tentative agenda of the week and conference. Schedule will be finalized soon, please check the website for new speakers and sponsors at www.gmiweek.com. If you have any questions, please email gmiweek@f3global.co.

Outputs beyond GMI Week & STEM R&D Conference

Early Adopters: F3 Global have already gained support and/or expressed interest from a variety of institutions which include the Ministry of Science & Technology in Ethiopia, AJC, Hagaz Agriculture School in Eritrea, and Morgan State University, among others from the US Government as well as private sector entities who intend to support one or more aspect of the Conference and GMI Week and related activities. Some highlighted examples are included below:

- [Follow-up working group sessions in Ghana Summer 2020 in collaboration with HBCUs and African Institutions](#)
- [Follow-up Women’s Conference in conjunction with ATIG Conference in Dubai October 2020](#)
- Regional, cross-border mentorship program launch
- Creation of a Business Connection Center, that advises, connects, and provides due diligence for international businesses, governments and private sector leaders interested in doing business with owners and governments
- [Trade, Tourism and Cultural Missions](#) (CEE-Africa Trade Missions & reverse, Caribbean-Africa Missions, etc)
- Ongoing promotion of U.S., Africa, and CEE markets as a tourism and business destination (Embassy of Bulgaria and Embassy of Romania)
- Region-to-Region collaborations to improve status of women in business
- [Integrated Capacity Building Program: Internship/Fellowship/Mentorship Exchange Program](#) (Potential partners: Morgan State University, Hagaz Agriculture School in Eritrea, Addis Ababa Science & Technology School, etc)
- New multi-stakeholder partnerships, advisory committees, [think tank and academic research](#), as well as working groups to carry the work forward and prepare for future events

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- Additional commitments from regional and international development agencies, private sector, and government agencies

GMI Week Agenda

GMI Week: April 20-24, 2020

- 500-700 expected attendees throughout the week
- Pre-allocated slots for women and youth entrepreneurs, cultural, business, and political leaders
- Range of activities will consist of high-level panels, workshops, pitch competitions, and VIP meetings among other specialized events

S.T.E.M. R&D Conference: April 23, 2020

- 75-120 expected attendees
- Pre-allocated slots for women and youth entrepreneurs, cultural, business, and political leaders
- Range of activities will consist of high-level panels, keynote speakers, Fire-side Chat, Network Lunch, VIP one-on-one meetings, and Network Closing Reception at the Embassy of Bulgaria

Daily Agenda: Full Schedule will be finalized soon with detailed list of activities.

- **April 20:**
 - **GMI Week Kickoff Reception:** 6-9pm
- **April 21:**
 - **Roundtable Discussion:** *Globalizing HBCUs STEM programs and partnerships:* 2-4pm
 - **Panel:** *Best Practices from Israel and the U.S. for Tech Transfer and Commercialization* – partially funded by a grant from AJC: 5-6:30pm
 - **Network Reception:** 7-9pm
- **April 22:**
 - **Panels & Presentations:** *Opportunities across CEE and Highlights on Romania and Bulgaria* hosted by the Embassy of Romania and the Romanian American Chamber of Commerce: 4-6pm
 - **Network Reception** at the Embassy of Romania: 6-9pm
- **April 23: Signature Event**
 - **Conference:** *STEM R&D: Growing Markets, Growing Opportunities:* 8-5pm
 - **Network Reception** Hosted at the Embassy of Bulgaria: 6-9pm
- **April 24:**
 - **Breakfast:** *OGA Investors & CEO Breakfast* (invite ONLY) at the Embassy of Ethiopia: 8-9:30am
 - **Fire-side Chat:** *Africa Got Next + Innovation Showcase:* 11-2pm
 - **Roundtable Discussion:** *Investing in the Connectivity of Women and Youth* at the Embassy of Ethiopia: 4-6pm
 - **GMI Closing Network Reception** hosted at the Embassy of Ethiopia: 6-9pm

Signature Event | STEM R&D: Growing Markets, Growing Opportunities Conference

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The GMI Week is focused on producing the knowledge, partners, and tools necessary to encourage economic development stimulated by research development innovations from across STEM industries. The **S.T.E.M. R&D: Growing Markets, Growing Opportunities Conference** held April 23, 2020 gathers the top experts to address and build strategic collaborations on the following topics:

- Topic I: Global Academia-Industry Collaborations
- Topic II: Economic Development driven by STEM innovations
- Topic III: Educational Models and Curriculums of the Future
- Topic IIII: Tech Transfer, Commercialization & Policies Best Practices
- Topic V: International R&D Funding Opportunities

Conference Agenda | April 23, 2020

- 7:30-8:30 am: Registration & Breakfast
- 8:30-9:00 am: Welcome, Keynote (TBA), State of S.T.E.M. Briefing
- 9-10:20: Session 1: Panel on Successful Global Academia-Industry Collaborations
- 10:30-11:45: Session 2: Roundtable Discussion on Educational Models and Curriculums of the Future
- 12:00-1pm: Lunch & Fire-Side Chat w/ Two Experts on Tech Transfer
- 1:10-2pm: Session 3: Panel on S.T.E.M. based economic Development from across markets
- 2:10-3:20pm: Session 4: Panel on R&D Funding Opportunities across Markets
- 3:30-4:30pm: Opportunities Presentation:
 - Bulgaria, Romania, Ethiopia, Ghana, Nigeria, U.S., Israel
- 4:30-4:40pm: Final Keynote & Speaker
- 4:40-5pm: Closing Remarks

Speakers Background & Industries

Conference speakers will come from the U.S. State Department, Medtronics, Morgan State University, Ministry of Science & Technology in Ethiopia, U.S. Department of Transportation, Addis Ababa Science and Technology University, European Union, DFIs, and private industry Executives from Agriculture, Cyber-Security, Drones, Fintech, Health IT and Aerospace. This is just a sample of invited and confirmed organizations.

Conference Reception Schedule | April 23, 2020

Location: Embassy of Bulgaria

Time: 6:00-9pm

- 6:00-7:15pm: Registration & Networking
- 7:15-7:30pm: Welcome by Ambassador
- 7:30-7:45pm: Sponsor Welcomes
- 7:45-9pm: Music, Wine/Food, & Networking

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