

**2018 DICOTA Convention**  
**"Partnering with the Tanzania Diaspora: Investment, Innovation and Industrialization,"**  
**Thursday, August 30th- Sunday, Sept 2nd, 2018**  
**Seattle Marriott Bellevue**

**General Program Outline**

**Wednesday, August 29, 2018**

**13:00 17:00 Boeing Tour**  
[Register here](#)

**Thursday, August 30, 2018**

**13:00 17:00 Seattle Tours (Amazon HQ, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Fred Hutchinson)**  
[Register here](#)

**18:00 21:00 Welcome Cocktail Reception**  
**Dr. Donald Mmari**  
Preamble: Manufacturing sector in Tanzania: Prospects and Challenges of Transformation

**Friday, August 31, 2018**

**6:30 7:30 Health & Wellness**  
**"Train with Aicha" - Sponsored by FITTastic by Aicha**  
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**7:30 9:00 Breakfast, Registration & Visit Exhibits – Grande Ballroom**

**9:00 9:30 Opening Remarks & Special Recognition**  
**Ambassador Wilson Masilingi**  
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the United States of America

**9:30 10:30 General Session: Health and the Diaspora - Grande Ballroom**  
Speakers To Be Announced

**10:45 12:15 Morning Breakout Session 1**  
Breakout session 1A – TBD  
**Speakers:**  
**Barlin H. Ali**, Sr. Diaspora Advisor- USAID| Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance  
**Jeremy Coats**- Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program (CADFP)

Breakout session 1B – Health  
**Speakers:**

**Dr. Steve Justus**; Chief Medical Officer- Touch Foundation  
**Abbey Kocan**, Executive Director- Kupona Foundation  
**Aicha Mosha**- FITTastic by Aicha

**12:30 14:00 Lunch**  
**Keynote Address**  
**Keynote Speaker To Be Announced**  
**Ambassador Donald Yamamoto**  
Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, US State Department

**14:30 15:30 General Session Diaspora Engagement - Grande Ballroom**  
**Speakers:**  
**Dr. Tulia Ackson Mwansasu**, Founder- Tulia Trust  
Deputy Speaker, Parliament of the United Deputy Speaker – Parliament of URT  
**Mr. Godwin Gabriel**- Moovn

**15:45 17:30 Afternoon Breakout Session 2**  
**Breakout session 2A – Education**  
**Speakers:**  
**Faraja Nyalandu & Iku Lazaro** Shule Direct  
**Pam Vachatimont**-Enuma: Empowe All Children  
**Dr. Alwiya Omar**- Indiana University  
**Dr. Lulu Kaaya**; Director of Internationalization, Convocation and Advancement-  
University of Dar es Salaam  
  
**Breakout session 2B – Diasporas role in advocating for Social Change**  
**Maggid Mjengwa**; Founder: Mjengwa Blog  
  
**Pascal Mayala**; **Managing Director**  
**Press and Public Relations (PPR)**  
**Maria Sarungi Tsehai**  
Founder- Change Tanzania

**19:00 23:00 Evening Reception (Gala Night)**

### Saturday, September 01, 2018

**7:30 9:00 Breakfast, Registration & Visit Exhibits – Grande Ballroom**  
**Modesta Mahiga Mbughuni**- Career Workshop

**9:00 10:30 Opening Remarks & Special Recognition**  
**General Session: Finance & Microfinance- Grande Ballroom**  
**Speakers :**  
**Dr. Bernard Kibese**, Deputy Governor – Bank of Tanzania

Dr. Donald Mmari, Executive Director – REPOA

- 10:45 12:15 Morning Breakout Session 3**  
**Breakout session 3A – Finance & Microfinance**  
**Speakers:**  
**Mr. John Ulanga**, Country Manager – Trademark East Africa  
**Lucy Kimei**, Relationship Manager Tanzanite Account, CRDB
- Breakout session 3B -Diaspora Investment Fund**  
**Mr. Salum Awadh**, CEO SSC Capital  
**Mr. Moremi Marwa**, CEO – Dar Es Salaam Stock Exchange
- 12:30 14:00 Lunch**  
**Keynote Address:** Issa Haji Ussi Gave, Minister of State, President's Office- Zanzibar
- 14:30 15:30 General Session: Birthrights Diaspora Policy Roundtable**  
**Speakers:**  
**Dr. Tulia Ackson Mwansasu Deputy Speaker**,  
Parliament of the United Deputy Speaker – Parliament of URT  
**Ambassador Anisa Mbega**  
Director of the Department of Diaspora Engagement and Opportunities  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and East Africa Cooperation  
**Maria Sarungi Tsehai**  
Founder- Change Tanzania  
**Ambassador Liberata Mulamula**  
Visiting Scholar and Acting Director of the Institute of African Studies  
George Washington University
- 15:45 17:00 Afternoon Breakout Session 4**  
Breakout session 4A – Industrial Development  
Breakout session 4B – Industrial Development
- 18:00 21:00 Offsite event : Local Soccer Match**  
**21:00 2:00 Live Performances & Kwaheri Dance**

### Sunday, September 02, 2018

- 10:00 15:00 Informal meetings & Kwaheri Events**  
(Details coming soon)
- 12:00 17:00 Seattle Boat Cruise (Harbor Cruise)**  
[Book your spot here](#)