

Programme – Draft 1 (22-09-2026)

Day One — Foundations & Commitments

Opening & Arrival	
08:00 – 09:00	Registration & Arrival
09:00 – 09:20	National Anthems & Welcome Brief
09:20 – 09:40	Opening Remarks <i>Host Chair, Fahari Aviation</i>
09:40 – 10:20	Keynote Address(es) <i>Government / Ministry of Transport and Kenya Airways Group leadership</i>
10:20 – 10:40	Keynote: The Global AAM Outlook <i>Reflections on ICAO's AAM 2026 "Vision to Implementation" agenda and its relevance to Africa</i>
10:40 – 11:10	Media Briefing & Tea Break
Session I — Policy, Airspace & Certification	
11:10 – 12:00	Round Table: Harmonising AAM Regulation Across Africa <i>Certification pathways for eVTOLs/UAS; progress since the inaugural 2025 symposium</i>
12:00 – 12:50	Round Table: Airspace Integration & UAS Traffic Management (UTM) <i>Integrating VTOL operations safely into controlled and uncontrolled airspace</i>
12:50 – 13:50	Lunch Break
Session II — Vertiport Infrastructure & Financing AAM	
13:50 – 14:40	Round Table: Vertiport Design & Airport Integration <i>Standards, siting, and energy infrastructure for take-off/landing sites</i>
14:40 – 15:30	Round Table: Financing Africa's AAM Ecosystem <i>Investment models, blended finance, and de-risking early operations</i>
15:30 – 15:50	Health Break
Session III — Local Capacity Building & Workforce Development	
15:50 – 16:40	Round Table: Workforce Development & the Future of Aviation Careers <i>Training pipelines for pilots, remote operators, and technicians</i>
16:40 – 17:30	Technology & Exhibition Walkthrough <i>Live UAS/eVTOL demonstrations and OEM exhibition</i>
19:00 – 22:00	Gala Dinner & Networking <i>Evening reception celebrating Africa's AAM progress</i>

Day Two — Safety, Trust & Implementation

Welcome	
08:45 – 09:00	Welcome Coffee & Networking
09:00 – 09:15	Recap of Day One <i>Masters of Ceremony</i>
Session I — Commercial Operations, Safety & Public Trust	
09:15 – 10:05	Round Table: Safety & Security in AAM Operations <i>Risk frameworks, incident data-sharing, and cyber-resilience for autonomous systems</i>
10:05 – 10:35	Health & Tea Break
10:35 – 11:25	Round Table: Public Perception, Community Engagement & Acceptance <i>Building trust for autonomous and low-altitude flight over populated areas</i>
Session II — Sustainability and the Human Element	
11:25 – 12:15	Round Table: AAM for Sustainable Development <i>Emissions reduction, medical and cargo drone delivery, and rural connectivity use cases</i>
12:15 – 13:00	Round Table: The Evolving Role of the Human in an Autonomous Future <i>Automation, human oversight, and remote-operator responsibilities as autonomy increases</i>
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break
Session III — From Vision to Implementation	
14:00 – 14:50	Round Table: Cross-Border Interoperability & Regional Corridors <i>Enabling AAM routes that cross national boundaries within East and wider Africa</i>
14:50 – 15:30	Panel: Africa's AAM Roadmap — Commitments for 2026–2028 <i>Ministers, regulators, and industry leaders present forward commitments</i>
15:30 – 16:00	Closing Remarks & Vote of Thanks <i>Fahari Aviation host and partner organisations</i>