

## Wednesday, 17 July 2024, 4-4:45 pm CAT (Central Africa Time)

Please plan on 45 minutes for this meeting. Visit www.elisanetwork.com for more information about ELISA Items listed in **BOLD** will be covered during the meeting Zoom link:<u>https://icpdprograms-org.zoom.us/j/82791520869?pwd=OGpYTUw5UmczdXA3TEtmeXc3bVhnUT09</u> Meeting ID:827 9152 0869; Passcode: 471896 Document Archives: www.icpdprograms.org/committees (scroll down to ELISA section)

- Welcome & introductions
- Focus topics
  - ÉLISA Scholars Program Training Session 12-14 November 2024, in Hwange, Zimbabwe (arrival in Victoria Falls)
    - EBN Scholar selection over 400 applicants; will be admitting 15 scholars; applications closed 28 June; announce cohort of EBN Scholars 2 August
      - Selection criteria quantitative and qualitative criteria
        Selection Committee members and timeline
    - Planning schedule
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    - Agenda
      - Program goals
        - o Expert coaching (one-year) and guidance on how to create business success
        - o Scholars to create a slide deck for pitch and plan
        - o Include high-level sessions on key business disciplines, ie finance, marketing, operations, accounting
        - Gap analysis of Scholars' knowledge in key business disciplines
        - o Sustainability of business models
        - o Network and connect with other like-minded businesses across the continent and locate funding sources
      - Review draft agenda
    - Coaches
      - Call for Coaches with online application
      - Experts on bootstrapping businesses in Africa
      - Siya Tiwana and Michel Nouafo (Advisory Council members) have volunteered to be coaches and speakers
    - Speakers
      - Speaker needs document
        - Call for Speakers with online application
    - Advisory Council meeting on 12 November in Hwange Zimbabwe; all members are encouraged to attend in-person
- Updates and recent developments
  - o Bootstrap Briefs 51 Bootstrap Briefs have been published with consistent release every Wednesday
  - Update on ICPD hiring a Member Relations Coordinator to secure Corporate and Affiliate Memberships; this will help to underwrite the costs of the ELISA Scholars program





- o CONFABS
  - Next Confab Next Confab 25 July, 4-5 pm Central Africa Time; register . here:

https://icpdprograms-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAtdOGrrTMiH9LkcrLFwMUEW IIM elowNYs; Speaker will be Rucien Petersen, South Africa, Founder **SpottMedia; focus topic will be "digital marketing strategies"** Past Confab videos are live on the ELISA portal

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- WhatsApp group for current and past attendees •
  - Having speakers focus on one Bootstrap Briefs topics
  - Market with multiple African time zones
- Social media Outreach 0
- Future Action items: Resources tab on the portal categories of resources; future programming focused on Luminaries, Projects and Bootstrap Briefs

Future meeting Dates (all meetings at 4 pm Central Africa Time):

24 October 2024 •

