Burundi Friends of Education

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First Annual Burundi Friends of Education Symposium 4/16/ 2022

2022 Symposium call: Promotion of Education and Technology in Burundi as an engine of economic and social development.

Saturday, April 16, 2022 USA - California Time 9:00:00 AM-12:30 PM/ PST UTC.

18:00-21:30 France & Germany, 18:00-21:30 Burundi and 19:00-22:30 Uganda

SCHEDULE

9:00-9:10 AM Zoom check In (Dr. Russell admits participants).

9:10 AM Dr. Beatrice Russell Welcome to First Annual Burundi Friends of Education Symposium.

9:12 AM Opening Prayer: Volunteer or Dr. Beatrice Russell

9:17 -9:27 AM Dr. Russell: Time to introduce Burundi Friends of Education Symposium Planning Committee Members/ Organizers in <u>alphabetical order</u>. (1.30-2:00 minutes each)

Mr.Felix Balitumye: Mr. Felix Balitumye is the Uganda IT Director and consultant to Burundi Education Mission. He will join forces with Mr. Bienvenu Irakoze, Burundi IT Director to build technology infrastructure for learning in targeted secondary schools.

Dr. Raymond Bimazubute: Dr. Raymond Bimazubute is Professor of Computer Sciences at Baden-Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University Stuttgard. Germany. He, also is, the Symposium Co-Director of Burundi Friends of Education Mission Symposium.

Mr. Bienvenu Irakoze: Mr. Bienvenu Irakoze is the appointed Executive Secretariat of Information and Communication Technologies). His main mission is to coordinate all Projects and Programs aimed at the implementation of the Burundi National (Information Communication Technologies (ICT) strategy.

Ms. Janet Kerr: Ms. Janet Kerr is an Associate Tax Auditor /Franchise Tax Board of California State. Co-Chair Sierra Vista Community Church Mission Committee. Ms. Kerr is in charge of establishing Burundi Education Mission as a 501 (C) (3) which is a US as charitable organizations¹.

¹ Organizations described in section 501(c)(3) are eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions in accordance with Code section 170. https://www.irs.gov/charities-non-profits/charitable-organizations/exemption-requirements-501c3-organizations

Mr. Tom Tortora. Mr. Tortora I am a graduate of the Data Communications Institute (which is comparable to the Cisco IT training). He has worked for 2 years as a Computer Lab Instructor for a special education high school. The last 15 years of Mr. Tortora career involved selling computer-related products to both school districts and government customers throughout Northern California.

9:27-9:35 Dr. Beatrice Russell (Ph. D). (Born in Francophone Burundi), the Symposium Co-Director and an active member of Sierra Vista Community Church and its Mission Committee. I am also an Associate professor at California State University at Sacramento. I am a strong advocate for course redesigns using High quality Open Educational Resources (OER) in teaching and student learning which ultimately saves students' textbook costs [Additional information in the Chat Room].

Burundi Friends of Education Symposium preliminary inventory finds and acknowledges that Burundi <u>is</u> <u>working to become a developing country in spite of challenges to provide quality education and basic quality of life [...] (5-6 minutes total).</u>

9:36-9:40 Presenter: Mr. Bienvenu Irakoze Video clip highlighting Burundi.

Education #1

9:45 – 10:05 AM Presenter: Mr. Diomède Mujojoma. Une éducation précaire, un avenir douteux pour le pays (A precarious education, a doubtful future for the country).

10:06 - 10: 26 AM Presenter: Ms. Jeanine Nahigombeye. Education and entrepreneurship

10:30-10:50 AM Presenter: **Dr Leah Ndimurwimo**. The Puzzles of the Transitional Justice Mechanisms in Burundi (**20 minutes**)

Technology # 2

10:52 AM -11:07 AM Presenter: **Mr. Félix Balitumye.** School Management systems and e-learning platforms in Uganda. (15 minutes or less)

11:00 AM- 11:10 AM Presenter: **Mr. Tom Tortora** Collaborative learning strategies in Classroom: A PowerPoint demonstration. (10 minutes or less)

11:11- 11:20 AM Presenter: **Quest Speaker: Mr. Edrine Ddungu** (in person) or send video: <u>The Little Children of Jesus" Project.</u> Reproducible Case studies in Burundi.

Health and Nutrition #3

11:25 AM Pastor Eugénie Nshimirimana²: Videos: The chicken coop challenge"

11:30 AM Presenter: **Ms. Janet Kerr**: The chicken project/ the Heifer Project. "A flock of chicks changes lives". (10 minutes)

11:40 AM – 12:00 PM Presenter: **Quest Speaker: Dr. Jeanne Nizigiye MD** [(in person) COVID-19 and Mental Health in Burundi.

Questions and & Answers

12:22-12:23 PM Dr. Russell: Thank you for your presentations and attendance.

Dr. Russell: 2023 Symposium.

- Theme # 1. Chicken Coop Project (French: Projet Poulailler). Team Leader (s): Ms Janet Kerr Co-Chair Sierra Vista Community Church Mission Committee.
- Theme # 2. Promotion of Education. Team Leader (s): Dr. B. Russell (US) and others in Burundi.
- Theme # 3. Promotion of Education and Technology in Burundi (continues). Team Leader (s) in alphabetical order: Mr.Felix Balitumye (Consultant), Dr. Raymond Bimazubute, Mr. Bienvenu Irakoze, and Mr. Tom Tortora.

Place /Date / Month (TBD)

12:25 PM-: Q & A ALL PRESENTATIONS

Symposium Directors

Beatrice Russell, Ph. D. California State University (Sacramento). USA

Dr. Raymond Bimazubute. Baden-Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University Stuttgard. Germany

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Zoom Invite below

Dr. Beatrice Russell is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

² Pastor Eugénie Nshimirimana. (The Seventh Day Pentecostal Assemblies/ Enoch/Dalo Ministries International).

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