

4TH AWARD CEREMONY OF AFRICAN AERONAUTICS & SPACE INNOVATION TROPHY (ASIT)



With the presence of the recipient of the 4th ASIT edition, the President of the African Space Council, **H.E. Dr. Tidiane Ouattara**



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STARTING : 8:30 AM



**NATIONAL AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM
OF FRANCE, PARIS - LE BOURGET**



An African Aeronautics
& Space Organisation event

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THE AFRICAN AERONAUTICS & SPACE ORGANISATION

The African Aeronautics & Space Organisation (AASO) is a non-profit organisation established in 2016 by African scientists and decision-makers to contribute to the sustainable development of the continent. Based in Europe for reasons of proximity to the industry and the European aerospace scientific community, it has representatives in Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Gabon, Ghana and Nigeria.

AASO has 3 missions:

- 1.** Contribute to the development of aeronautical and space sciences on the African continent.
- 2.** Promote and establish partnership development projects related to aeronautics and space sciences using local skills and those of the African diaspora.
- 3.** Promote the pooling of African space resources to improve living conditions in Africa.

THE AFRICAN AERONAUTICS & SPACE INNOVATION TROPHY (ASIT)

Every two years, the African Aeronautics & Space Organisation (AASO) awards the prestigious African Aeronautics & Space Innovation Trophy (ASIT) to a leading figure from Africa or the Diaspora. This award recognises outstanding individuals whose remarkable actions in the field of aerospace science and technology directly contribute to the sustainable development of the African continent. More than just a celebration of achievement, ASIT aims to inspire, foster innovation and promote strategic initiatives to address Africa's scientific and economic challenges.

THE ASIT 2023 EDITION

The recipient of the ASIT 2023 was the Rwanda Space Agency (RSA). ASIT honoured CEO Francis NGABO and his exceptional team in Kigali, Rwanda, for their outstanding achievements:



THE ASIT 2021 EDITION

The recipient of the ASIT 2021 is Dr Abimbola Alalé, CEO of Nigeria Communications Satellite (NigComSat). She received the award on 28/10/2021 at the Aeroclub de France in Paris.



THE ASIT 2019 EDITION

The 2019 ASIT recipient is Burkina Faso's Minister for the Digital Economy, Post and Digital Transformation, Minister Adja Ouattara/Sanon.





PROGRAMM OF THE 4TH EDITION ASIT

AASO is organising the award ceremony on 27 Marc 2026 at the NATIONAL AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM OF FRANCE, PARIS - LE BOURGET. The event will bring together manufacturers, public and private institutions, researchers, students, specialist journalists and the event's partners.

During this event, you will be able to meet high-level African personalities in the aeronautical and space field and discover the many strengths of Africa in aeronautical and space as well as the commercial partnerships to be developed there.

Through these three round tables

- **“The Current State of the African Space Sector”,**
- **“Who will make Africa fly tomorrow? building an African aviation sector- from training and recruitment to operations and industrial development”,**
- **“Insights from African Space Cooperation Projects”,** its exhibition space, and networking opportunities, the event will provide a unique chance for business-to-business meetings and networking between stakeholders in the aeronautics and space industry alongside the challenges of the 21st century.



GUEST COUNTRY /INSTITUTION OF HONOUR PACKAGE

We offer an exclusive package designed for a country or institution seeking to stand out as a key player during the 4th edition of the ASIT. The “Guest Country / Institution of Honour” status represents the highest level of visibility at the event.

PARTICIPATION

We offer a range of registration options, from simple participation in the ASIT event to the reservation of a booth to showcase your company. The booths offer a unique opportunity to present your solutions to the ASIT recipient, H.E Dr Tidiane Ouattara, President of the African Space Council, as well as to the entire African delegation, the manufacturers, public and private institutions, researchers, specialist journalists and the event’s partners.

Attendance at the event (Student)	Attendance at the event (Startup, less than 10 employees)	Attendance at the event (Small & medium companies, between 10 and 500 employees)	Attendance at the event (Large companies, > 500 employees)	Group of companies	Event + booth - 2m ²	Event + booth - 5m ²
100€	150€	250€	500€	On request	On request	On request

SPONSORSHIP OFFERS

We offer our sponsors a range of ways to showcase their support. We offer three sponsorship packages: Platinum, Gold and Silver. These packages combine a number of services to enable you to appear at the event. Our packages are flexible, and we also offer customised forms of sponsorship (supply of merchandising, discounts on services, etc.).

	Benefit from all communications related to the event	Attendance at the event	Benefits of a booth	Speaking at the round table
Platinum	✓	✓	✓	✓
Gold	✓	✓	✓	
Silver	✓	✓		

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H.E. Dr. Tidiane Ouattara
President of the African
Space Council



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Jean-Loup Chrétien**
Astronaut
Honorary President
of the AASO



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(IAF)



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**Dr. Aboubakar
Mambimba NDJOUNGUI**
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for Space Studies and
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Madame Edith Mala Diop
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Vice president UFACI
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Dr. Bogdana Tsonevska
Engineer and manager
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