



## SAVUNMA VE HAVACILIK SANAYİ İHRACATÇILARI BİRLİĞİ

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Sayın Üyemiz,

T.C. Milli Savunma Bakanlığında alınan bir yazıda, Nijerya Savunma Sanayi Başkanlığının 60'ıncı kuruluş yıl dönümü kapsamında 14 – 15 Ağustos 2024 tarihlerinde başkent Abuja'da düzenlenmesi planlanan konferansa Türk savunma firmalarının davet edildiği iletilmektedir.

Bahse konu davet mektubu ekte sunulmakta olup bilgileri rica olunur.

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## **INVITATION TO ATTEND THE SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS OF THE DEFENCE INDUSTRIES CORPORATION OF NIGERIA AND THE MAIDEN AFRICA DEFENCE INDUSTRIES CONFERENCE**

1. The Defence Industries Corporation of Nigeria (DICON), will be celebrating its Sixtieth Anniversary, while hosting the maiden Africa Defence Industries Conference. The main aspects of the events are scheduled to take place from **14-15 August 2024**, at the **Shehu Musa Yar`Adua Centre, Federal Capital Territory, Abuja**. The establishment of DICON in 1964, was not only a visionary mandate for self-reliance in the defence capabilities of Nigeria, but a bold step towards technological advancement. This founding aspiration was rekindled with the passing into law of the DICON Act 2023, necessitating a new strategy and road map. The theme of the events is: **"DICON @60: Future Frontiers in Africa's Defence Technology"**, and the celebrations amongst other activities, is anchored around projecting this new strategy and roadmap, defence exhibitions, as well as the maiden Africa Defence Industries Conference.

2. The 2-day event is designed to be the largest gathering of defence industry stakeholders in Nigeria and Africa, attracting over 3,000 local and international participants, from over 30 countries. The event will focus on investment opportunities, industrial partnerships, and future developments in the African defence industry. It will also feature a distinguished faculty of knowledgeable speakers and resource persons from within and outside Africa, government officials, military personnel, commercial exhibitors, industry leaders, business networking

opportunities, and sessions on market trends and commercial strategies in the African defence sector.

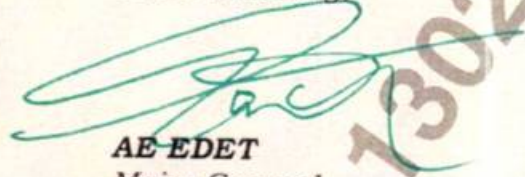
3. Nigeria's President, President Bola Ahmed Tinubu GCFR, is expected to be the Special Guest of Honour for the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations and Opening Ceremony of the maiden Africa Defence Industries Conference on Wednesday 14 August 2024, while the President of the Senate is expected to be the Guest of Honour for the Cocktail/Gala Night, same day. As it is customary, the President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces would be expected to commission a range of newly assembled indigenous military hardware that would be exhibited at the events.

4. As a notable strategic partner in the development of Nigeria's defence sector and Nigeria's military industrial complex, I have the honour to respectfully invite your esteemed presence as **Special Guest** at the DICON's Sixtieth Anniversary and maiden Africa Defence Industries Conference.

5. It would be appreciated if you could extend this invitation to relevant defence stakeholders and manufacturers in your country, who desire to forge long term partnerships with DICON. The tentative programme of events is enclosed for your attention. For further liaison, your office may please contact **Brigadier General BJ Shobo** on mobile at +2348033325186, **Moses Faya** on mobile at +234 703 869 0044, or visit the conference website at [www.africadefenceindustriesconference.com](http://www.africadefenceindustriesconference.com), if you require additional information or clarification.

6. While anticipating your esteemed presence at the events, please accept my highest assurances.

Yours Sincerely,



**AE EDET**  
Major General  
Director General

**Enclosure:**

1. Tentative Programme of Events for DICON@60 Anniversary Events.



## TENTATIVE PROGRAMME OF EVENTS FOR THE DICON 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS AND THE MAIDEN AFRICA DEFENCE INDUSTRIES CONFERENCE

The event objectives are in 3 categories.



### DICON's 60th Anniversary Celebrations

Celebrate DICON's 60 years of achievements in the defense industry  
Showcase innovations  
Strengthen relationships among key stakeholders.  
Attract potential partnerships and investment opportunities



### Maiden African Defence Industries Conference

Engage, share ideas and strengthen relationships among key stakeholders in the African Defence Industries space and the global network.  
Showcase innovations



### Launch of a New DICON Strategy and Brand Identity

Launch of a new DICON Corporate Strategy Document and roadmap 2030 and Brand Identity developed based on the DICON Act 2023 by **President Bola Ahmed Tinubu**

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DICON @60 Event Programme

## BLOCK PROGRAM FOR THE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

DATE	DAY	EVENING
Friday 9 August 2024	DG - DICON Initial Press Conference and Media Interview (Kaduna) Jumaat Service - National Mosque and Central Mosque (Abuja and Kaduna)	DICON'S 60th Anniversary Documentary starts to air on major national media platforms
Saturday 10 August 2024	SKM Health Walk (Kaduna) Flagged-off by Chief of Defence Staff General CG Musa	Documentary Continues and Media Interviews
Sunday 11 August 2024	Christian Service Ecumenical Centre (Abuja and Kaduna)	Documentary Continues and Media Interviews
Monday 12 August 2024	HMO5D International Press Conference and Media Interviews, DG DICON in attendane (Abuja)  Visit to Designated Hospitals and Outreach to Military Widows by DICONOWA	Documentary Continues and Media Interviews  Reception for DEPOWA President / Dinner (Kaduna)
Tuesday 13 August 2024	DICONOWA Women Empowerment Conference (Kaduna)	
Wednesday 14 August 2024	Conference Day 1 Official Opening of the Exhibition Virtual Tour of DICON Launch of the New DICON Strategy and Brand Identity Shehu Musa Yar'adua Centre, Abuja (Special Guest of Honour, C-in-C President Bola Ahmed Tinubu CCFR)	
Thursday 15 August 2024	<b>Conference Day 2</b> Closing Ceremony Shehu Musa Yar'adua Centre, Abuja (Special Guest of Honour, Vice President Kashim Shettima GCON)	DICON'S 60th Anniversary Banquet/Gala Night Book Launch and Commemoration of DICON's past Board Chairmen and DGs 1964 - 2024, Abuja (Special Guest of Honour Senate President)

# MAIN EVENT AND CONFERENCE PROGRAM OF EVENTS

## DAY 1

Wednesday 14 August 2024

- Opening Ceremony.
- Keynotes from Dignitaries.
- Review of DICON Impact Report 2024.
- Historical Documentary, showcasing DICON's evolution.
- Virtual Tour of DICON facilities.
- Mr President launches DICON Strategy Document/Roadmap to 2030.
- Mr President unveils the New DICON Brand and HQ building Monument.
- Launch of **Maiden Africa Defence Industries Conference**: Theme "*DICON @60: Future Frontiers in African Defence Technology*"
- Panel discussions, and breakout sessions with international defense subject matter experts.
  - Military Innovation Policy Harmonisation across Africa
- **GROUP PHOTOGRAPH**
- **WALK THROUGH OF EXHIBITION**
- **TEA BREAK**
  - The Next Wave of Defense Innovation: AI and Autonomous Systems
  - AfCFTA and the Military Industrial Complex
- Deal Rooms

## DAY 2

Thursday 15 August 2024

- Day 2 Opening Keynote Speeches,
- Panel discussions.
  - Defense Economics: Funding the Future of Warfare and Military Innovation: unlocking Africa's Investment Potential in Military Industrial Complexes
  - Retaining Talent and Brain Gain: Overcoming Africa's brain drain and attracting Diasporan Talent.
  - Software Development in Military Industrial Complex
  - The Human Factor: Integrating Human Skills with Technological Advances
  - Cybersecurity in Modern Warfare: Protecting the New Battlefield
- **DEFENCE INNOVATION CHALLENGE**
  - Startup Pitching/Competition
  - Hackathon to solve defense challenges across the continent
- Closing Ceremony

## EVENING PROGRAM

**DICON's 60th Anniversary Banquet/Gala Night with Awards and Recognition Ceremony.**

Book Launch and Commemoration of DICON's past Board Chairmen and DGs 1964 – 2024

These panel topics are designed to provoke thought, stimulate debate, and encourage forward-thinking strategies among defense professionals and stakeholders, making the conference a pivotal part of DICON's anniversary celebrations.

Note some side events and mixers will happen along with the MAIN EVENT

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