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Programme

5 – 7 December 2026

CIC Abdelatif Rahal, Algiers

DEEP TECH — THE REAL CHALLENGE

All times are Algiers time (UTC+1), in 24-hour format. The programme may change until the event: the latest version is always online at https://app.africanstartupconference.org/en/programme

DAY 1 Saturday, 5 December 2026

09:00 – 13:00

CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony

Icosium

14:00 – 18:00

SESSION

Ministerial Summit

19:00 – 21:00

CEREMONY

Gala Dinner

DAY 2 Sunday, 6 December 2026

09:00 – 10:00

KEYNOTE

From solo founder to AI-powered company: productivity, validation and market access

Djamila

Speakers Mohamed Ali Chaabani (Tunisia)

10:00 – 11:00

PANEL

SLMs: train a small model on African data

Djamila

Speakers Mohamed Amine Macherki (Tunisia) · Furaha Benedict · Pelonomi Moiloa · Adam Medella

11:00 – 12:00

PANEL

AI & Deep Tech in Africa: Building Technological Sovereignty and Scalable Infrastructure

Djamila

Speakers Amine Salah · Mehdi Benboubakeur · Mourad Debbabi · Kamel Amroune

12:00 – 13:00

PANEL
African datasets: quality, annotation and trustworthy evaluation
Djamila
Speakers Mohamed Badawy · Sami Belkacem · Deborah Mbula · Ratheil Houndji

14:00 – 15:00

KEYNOTE
Physical AI in Action: Intelligent Agents in the Real World
Djamila
Speakers Isra Al Khaza'li

15:00 – 16:00

PANEL
Physical AI in practice: building autonomous robots
Djamila
Speakers Hatim Ahmed Hassan (Kenya) · Yusuf Bello · Eunice Mwangi · Mehdi Gaham

16:00 – 17:00

PANEL
Cross cutting panel on AI : decision and vision
Djamila
Speakers Hermann del Campo · Marcel Masaga · Pheneas Munene · Adamou Boubacar Hamani · Mohamed Amine El Ouni

DAY 3 Monday, 7 December 2026

09:00 – 10:00

KEYNOTE
How to Build a Successful AI based Medical Business
Djamila
Speakers Fayçal Djeridane (Algeria)

10:00 – 11:00

PANEL
Biotechnology and diagnostics: producing medical innovation in Africa
Djamila
Speakers Ammar Azioune · Novel Chegou · Ahmed Rebai

11:00 – 12:00

PANEL
Medical AI for Africa: local data, validation and clinical relevance
Djamila
Speakers Mohamed Elfaleh · Moustapha Cissé · Bertin Nahum · Samira Karrach

12:00 – 13:00

PANEL
Energy and physical AI: sensors, models and predictive maintenance
Djamila
Speakers Kingsley Ojeogwu (Nigeria) · Noëmi Kaufmann (Switzerland) · Michael Osumune (Nigeria) · Liz Mubari