



Celebrating a Milestone

On 27th February, CAACC celebrated 10 + 1 years of its existence; this was a significant milestone with a day filled with festivities, reflection, and gratitude under theme; “*Strengthening Partnership Opportunities for the next 10 years.*” The event was held at Royal Aria in Tlokweng, Botswana. As we look back on this memorable occasion, we revisit the highlights from 10 plus 1 years Anniversary Day Event, a celebration of our journey, our achievements, and our unwavering commitment to excellence.

The day commenced with an opening ceremony that set the tone for the festivities ahead. Our leadership team shared heartfelt words of appreciation for the dedication and hard work of our employees, acknowledging their role in CAACC's success over the years.

Inspiring Keynote Speakers

His Excellency Dr. Mokgweetsi E.K. Masisi President of The Republic of Botswana graced the ceremony. In his keynote address, His Excellency stated that it was important to emphasize that the capacity building support provided to Association members in anti-corruption by the Centre's efforts has been accomplished through committed collaborative endeavors with International and local partners.



His Excellency Dr. Mokgweetsi E.K. Masisi President of The Republic of Botswana during key note address



Highlights from the Centre's 10 plus 1 years Anniversary

The Centre was hailed for emerging as a key platform for nurturing relationships among all anti-corruption agencies across Commonwealth Africa. The benefits derived from partnerships with various organisations and members of the Association is expected to result in tangible outcomes and enhancements in the levels of corruption within Commonwealth African nations.

In her remarks, Ms. May De Silva, Chairperson of the Association of Anti-Corruption Agencies in Commonwealth Africa (AAACoA) stated that over the next decade, the training centre aims to enhance its current high-quality training offerings while expanding into areas such as financial forensics, digital forensics, money laundering, and mutual legal assistance. Recognizing corruption as a significant financial crime, the Centre's priority is to redirect its focus towards equipping law enforcement officers with expertise in accountancy, asset tracking, and navigating the intricate nuances of corruption investigations.

Ms. Bothale Makgekenene, Director General of Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime, welcomed everyone to the event. She wished all participants an enjoyable work experience and encouraged them to deliberate and interrogate how all sectors can strengthen and improve capacity building initiatives on anti-corruption for effective measures to achieve Sustainable Development Goal 16 of “Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions,” which only prevails in jurisdictions with reduced levels of corruption.

Token of Appreciation

A special segment of the event was dedicated to recognizing and honoring dignitaries who have been with the Centre since its inception or have made significant contributions to its growth and success. Their dedication and commitment were celebrated with heartfelt applause and gratitude. Attendees had the opportunity to journey through CAACC's history with a captivating timeline exhibition. From our humble beginnings to our proudest achievements, each milestone was commemorated, offering a glimpse into the evolution of CAACC over the years in the CAACC 10+1 years celebration Magazine.



Ms. Bothale Makgekenene, Director General of Directorate on Corruption and Economic Crime signing a pledge board and His Excellency Dr. Mokgweetsi E.K. Masisi looking on

Interactive Activities

Throughout the day, attendees engaged in a variety of interactive activities designed to foster camaraderie and teamwork. From network session to panel discussions and question and answer sessions, laughter and camaraderie filled the air as colleagues came together to celebrate.

Community Engagement and Impact

CAACC is committed to giving back to the community, this was expressed by a community engagement initiative of donating toiletries to the pediatric ward at Bamalete Lutheran Hospital in Ramotswa with an aim of making a positive impact in the local community.



Dr Roger Koranteng Ms. Priscilla Israel and Mr Mogolodi Rantsetse awarding gifts to Bamalete Lutheran Hospital senior officers

Culinary Delights

No celebration is complete without delicious food, and CAACC 10 +1 years anniversary event was no exception. Attendees savored a mouth-watering array of culinary delights, from gourmet dishes to delectable desserts, expertly prepared to tantalize the taste buds and delight the senses.



Traditional beer served at the Networking session

Conclusion

As the sun set on the CAACC's 27th Anniversary Day Event, the air was filled with a sense of pride, gratitude, and optimism for the future. The day was a testament to the hard work, dedication, and passion of everyone who has contributed to The Centre's success over the years.



Advocate Andy J.L. Mothibi, Head of Special Investigating Unit, moderating a panel discussion

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all who attended and participated in making this milestone celebration a resounding success. As we look to the future, let us carry the spirit of camaraderie, excellence, and innovation forward, united in our shared vision of continued success and prosperity.