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OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

APRM CEO Dr. Eddy Maloka announced as the Inaugural Dr. Martin R. Delany Distinguished Fellow

The Center for Global Africa (CGA) at Delaware State University (DSU) announces Dr. Eddy Maloka as its inaugural Dr. Martin R. Delany Distinguished Fellow and African Union (AU) Diplomat in Residence 2022-2023.

The Dr. Martin R. Delany Distinguished Fellowship (MDDF) provides institutional platforms for preeminent achievers and thought-leaders in government, industry, academia, and civil society to devise strategies, influence policy, and implement practices that foster reciprocal US, Africa, and Diaspora advancements.

The MDDF is a first-of-kind collaboration between Diasporic and African institutions that include HBCUs, AU, and the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM). APRM is a specialized AU agency led by Dr. Maloka that comprises 42 African nations. APRM conducts Review Reports with recommendations aimed to improve African governance and socioeconomic progress according to Agenda 2063, which is Africa's 50-year development blueprint that encourages Diaspora (Sixth Region) involvement.

The inaugural MDDF also timely coincides with the AU's 20-year anniversary (2002 - 2022), which is themed "Building Resilience in Nutrition on the African Continent: Accelerate the Human Capital, Social and Economic Development."

The MDDF accordingly provides institutional focus and global platforms to promote awareness, expand discourse, and mobilize engagements with diverse stakeholders for reciprocal US, Africa, and Diaspora advancements.

Dr. Maloka will make a series of public and virtual appearances April 4 - 13 to promote the CGA-APRM partnership and two-way channels for increased US-Africa partnerships in priority areas that include:

Agenda 2063
Africa's Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)
The Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Program (CAADP)
Africa Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC)
The Economic Social and Cultural Council (ECOSOCC)
The Sixth Region

Dr. Maloka holds a Ph.D. in history and has served as a presidential advisor in South Africa. As an author, professor, and diplomat, he is an authority and highly sought commentator on intricate matters of governance, development, geopolitics, and international affairs. Dr. Maloka has delivered lectures at the world's premier universities, including Oxford and Princeton where he held a research fellowship. He also served as Mellon Research Fellow at the University of Cape Town; a Ernest Oppenheimer Fellow at the University of London; and Visiting Research Associate at Brown University. His recent book *When Foreign Becomes Domestic: The Interplay of National Interests, Pan-Africanism and Internationalism in South Africa's Foreign Policy* is greatly valued by policymakers and practitioners of international relations.

The MDDF is uniquely designed to bring 21st-century visibility and continuity to the intellect and practices espoused by Dr. Martin R. Delany (1812 -1885) who was an author, publisher, doctor, and philosopher that was commissioned by President Lincoln as the highest-ranking Black field officer in the military during the Civil War. Dr. Delany remarkably led a delegation to Africa in 1859 to bridge relations and economic opportunities between Africa and Africans in America. His subsequent 1861 publishing of his seminal *Official Report of the Niger Valley Exploring Party* exemplifies the original thinking, prototype work, and action-oriented ideals that the MDDF is premised.

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Dr. Eddy Maloka

CEO APRM

Chief Executive Officer, Adjunct Professor (University of Witwatersrand, School of Governance, Public and Development Management).

Formerly – Special Advisor to the Minister of International Relations and Cooperation (Republic of South Africa).

South Africa's Special Representative to the Great Lakes Region.

Special Advisor to the Deputy President of the Republic of South Africa.

Advisor: Governance, Public Administration and Post-Conflict Reconstruction (NEPAD Secretariat).

African Legacy Delegate, 2010 FIFA World Cup Organizing Committee.

Chief Executive Officer: Africa Institute of South Africa (AISA).

Political Advisor to the Premier, Mpumalanga Provincial Government.

Political Advisor to the Premier, Gauteng Provincial Government. Lecturer, (University of Cape Town, South Africa).

Academic Background

- Bachelor of Arts, (Rhodes University, South Africa)
- MA Development Studies, (Institute of Development Studies, University of Geneva, Switzerland)
- PHD History (University of Cape Town South Africa)
- Post-Doctoral Fellowship, (Princeton University, UJC, USA)

Professor Maloka has published extensively on aspects relating to the politics, history and development challenges facing Africa

Professor Ezra Aharone



Ezrah Aharone is an author, public intellectual, professor and the founding executive director of the Center for Global Africa (CGA) at Delaware State University (DSU), where he teaches Global Societies, the African American Experience, and American History to 1865.

Aharone is a graduate of Hampton University with over three decades of experience in African affairs, working as a strategist, and subject-matter expert to governments, businesses, and institutions, where his relationships span from presidents to everyday people in village life.

In practice of his scholarship which includes three books and numerous syndicated articles that promote strengthened US-Africa policies and engagements to instrumentalize innovative development, Aharone founded the Center for Global Africa (CGA) in 2018.

As an original thinker, Aharone conceptualized the CGA as a futurist and systems-approach think tank that intermediates with private-public partners to connect the academics of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) to African nations in enterprising ways that are solution oriented, capacity building, and mutually beneficial to Africa and the US.

As a scholar driven by operational knowledge, Aharone structured a historic 2018 partnership between the CGA and the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM). APRM is a specialized agency of the African Union (AU) that focuses on improving African governance and socioeconomic proficiency, as per Agenda 2063. This distinguishes the CGA as the first and only HBCU institution in such partnership with the AU, encompassing 42 member states.

In roles of public diplomacy, Aharone commonly makes presentations and interfaces with African leaders at the highest levels of government, as well as industry and civil society. This includes organizing missions and leading delegations of HBCU professors and experts to Chad, Zambia, South Africa, Sierra Leone, and Ethiopia as credentialed delegates at the “AU Summit of Heads of State and Government” in Addis Ababa.

As a global leader, Aharone arranged for Sierra Leone to serve as a “CGA Host Nation,” where development strategies and projects are being piloted as Models of Excellence that can be scaled and replicated continentally through APRM processes. This includes AU priority areas of trade and investment, food security, education, data and digital infrastructure, conflict prevention, and the ongoing work of the US-Africa COVID-19 Coalition (USACC) that Aharone assembled in 2021 to assist Sierra Leone’s health governance infrastructure in alignment with Africa’s Center for Disease Control (CDC).

Among his breadth of initiatives, Aharone has led projects working with the United Nations (UN), the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), the Pan African Historical Theatre Festival (PANAFEST), Major League Baseball (MLB), the National Basketball Association (NBA), and various athletes and entertainers.

Considering Africa’s emerging economies and opportunities, Aharone views his growing body of work as both a critical and enterprising nexus for accelerated US-Africa progress, while uniquely expanding the 21st-century role and relevance of HBCUs.