



Sierra Leone Central Union's First ever Independence Day Symposium in Breda

Date: 2nd May, 2009
Place: Ontmoetingscentrum Incom
J. F. Kennedylaan 36
4811ET Breda
Time: 14.00 to 19.00 hours

This Symposium will bring together highly ranked speakers, policy analysts, students, practitioners and the committee of experts from different parts of the country to discuss ways of forging ahead in a new direction and strengthening the pivotal role of the Sierra Leone Central Union in the Netherlands (SLCU).

Objectives:

1. Presenting the SLCU as a unique partner in strengthening Transnational relations between Sierra Leonean, institutions in Netherlands and the Sierra Leone Embassy in Brussels.
2. Presenting the positive and negative pictures of the Sierra Leone's Independence.
3. Brainstorming the roles of Sierra Leonean NGOs and their integration into the SLCU.
4. Brainstorming the effect(s) of the Special Court for Sierra Leone on Sierra Leoneans living in Netherlands.
5. Discussing the role of transnational entrepreneurship in accelerating economic participation of Sierra Leonean Diasporas in the Netherlands.

Organisation:

The Symposium will comprise of a combination of plenary presentations and open discussion focusing on the above objectives.

Outcome:

This information would be used for our future planning in organizing programs geared towards promoting and serving the needs of Sierra Leoneans living both in Netherlands and Sierra Leone. In this vein, we desire to set the basis for further discussions and active participations of both the Sierra Leonean youth community and their Netherlands counterpart in maintaining and advancing a structural relationship between the two countries.

The detailed programme will be available in the near future on this website at www.slcu.nl

Provisional Programme

13:00 14:00	Welcoming of guests
14:00 14:10	Introduction and appointing of chairman and chairman's opening remark
14:10 14:15	Keynote speech of the Ambassador
14:15 14:30	Presentation Sierra Leone Independence
14:30 15:00	Presentation Sierra Leone Central Union
15:00 15:20	Presentation transnational entrepreneurship
15:20 15:35	Presentation SL NGO's
15:35 15:50	Presentation Sierra Leone Special Court
15: 50 15:15	Break Break
15:15 15:25	Music By Joseph
15:25 17:00	Plenary discussion
17:00 17:25	Sierra Leone Cultural Group
17:25 17:30	Vote of thanks
17: 30 19:00	Diner and End

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"We are one people forever woven together in a tapestry... And it is our job, our duty and our great challenge to fight the voices of division and to seek the salve of reconciliation".

Roy E. Barnes (US State Governor)