

Programs Committee Agenda

Wednesday, 22 July 2026, 4-4:45 pm CAT (Central Africa Time)

Please plan on 45 minutes for this meeting. For the Zoom link [click here](#)

Items listed in **BOLD** will be covered during the meeting

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Welcome & introductions - Recommend potential ELISA Advisory Council members; you can email michelle@elisanetwork.com

Focus topic(s):

- **ELISA Programs and Platforms**
- **2026 ELISA Business Summit**
 - **Post event materials ie. 3-5 articles, video content (Masterclasses, Speaker session and Panels)**
- **2027 ELISA Business Summit**
 - **Dates and location**
 - **Theme and co-located programming**
- **ELISA Business Scholars Program**
 - **Target dates**
 - **Coaching update**
- **ELISA Marketplace**
 - **Showcasing products and services**
- **ELISA Confabs**
 - **Topics and speakers for upcoming events**
 - **Pilot using Google Meet instead of Zoom**
 - **How to support other languages ie. French? Timetable**

Updates, previous action items, and recent developments

- **ELISA Ignite**
 - [Webpage available](#)
 - Overview of the program
- Bootstrap Briefs -
 - Topics have been linked to the EBS curriculum topics
 - 95+ Bootstrap Briefs have been published with consistent release every Wednesday
- Social media Outreach

Other/Future action items

- Resources feature - What type of resources will members want to share and what are the categories of these resources (ie services, funding opportunities, etc)?; will posted resources be curated by staff or the portal members; will posted resources be visible only to the member or to the public?; benchmark against other models ie Opportunity Desk
- Project pages: Instructional resources to be developed to: 1. guide page owners on making their pages more effective (including using tabs and events), 2. how to share resources, 3. role of team members, and 4. Use of the post feature; ELISA to implement a communications strategy to get more founders to create and complete the set up of their Project Pages; sector scheme categories being refined
- ELISA Business Scholar (EBS) - staff exploring viability of providing offerings for applicants who were not admitted, i.e. virtual EBS, regional events
- Programming focused on Luminaries, Projects and Bootstrap Briefs
- Bootstrap Briefs - User generated content and curation

Forward Calendar of Meeting Dates & Events

- **11 Aug at 4pm CAT** - [ELISA Advisory Council Meeting](#)
- **27 Aug at 4pm CAT** - Confab event
- **7 Oct at 4pm CAT** - [ELISA Programs Committee Meeting](#)
- **19 Aug 2027** - ELISA Business Summit
- **19-22 Aug 2027** - ELISA Business Scholar Training Session