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Policy and Practice

On Day 1 we will examine the relationship between philanthropy policy and practice. If enabling policies are necessary building blocks, then only by realising them into practice will we begin to build just and fair societies. As we re-assess the nexus between policy and practice, how do we continue to foster symbiosis between the two? These discussions will reflect on African philanthropy's potential to drive systemic change, and examine how actors could work together to celebrate and own indigenous practices as distinctly African and thus relevant to reshaping future philanthropy, as well re-imagine practices for contemporary application.

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Knowledge Production

Day 2 is about knowledge production and the stories we tell ourselves about African philanthropy. How much do indigenous insights and wisdoms contribute to our research, methods of analysis, decision making and doing? We will also examine the use of language, both our native tongues /vernacular as well as rhetoric in furthering or hindering meaningful participation of community as rightful investors in their development. We will explore key questions including: how can philanthropy counter inequalities and power imbalances? And how can we build solidarity towards narratives that showcase African philanthropy as a relevant driver of community-led transformation?

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Movement Building

Day 3 is about movements; purposeful organising towards a collective vision for the liberation of African communities. We will share experiences on how movements are responding and directing resources where they are needed the most, and are driving social and systems change. Intervening in the power dynamics that shape how resources are mobilized, distributed and utilized. We will examine what fosters a relevant, resilient and genuinely impactful movement, what solidarity for movements by people we are in community with looks like, and how to mobilise for and with movements without co-opting or losing a movement's integrity.

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