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**ACCRA, GHANA.**

**STUDENTS AND YOUTH GROUPS OF THE AES AND GHANA SET TO CONFRONT COLONIAL DEBT AND REPARATIONS AT ACCRA FORUM.**

*Pan-African Progressive Front convenes AES, foreign and Ghanaian youth for a forum on debt cancellation and reparations, 5 September in Accra*



**ACCRA, GHANA** — The Pan-African Progressive Front (PPF) will convene the Youth Forum on Debt and Reparations, gathering under the theme "Reclaiming Africa's Wealth, Resisting Neocolonial Bondage," on Saturday, 5 September 2026, at the ISSER Conference Hall, University of Ghana. The Forum will bring together an estimated 200 participants, including students and youth from the Alliance of Sahel States (AES) — Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger — resident in Ghana, other foreign students, and Ghanaian youth.

The Forum is designed to move the conversation on colonial debt and reparations from distant policy debate to lived, youth-authored action. Participants will examine the CFA Franc, French imperial extraction, and the broader

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architecture of debt bondage across the continent, and will work across three sessions to generate concrete proposals for reparations action and resistance to debt bondage.

PPF has invited the Ambassadors Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger to Ghana to deliver remarks, situating the Forum's themes within the lived experience of the AES sovereignty project and offering participants a first-hand account of economic self-determination in practice.

***“The Forum is about bringing African youth together to understand the economic structures that continue to constrain our sovereignty and to develop practical responses. We want young people to see themselves not as observers, but as active participants in the struggle for reparations, debt cancellation and genuine economic independence. We must unite and take the destiny of the Continent into our own hands”***

- Sumaila Mohammed  
Head, Economic and Reparations Department, PPF.

## PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

- Opening remarks from PPF and addresses by the Ambassadors of Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger
- Session One — Youth Role in Reparations: What Can Youth Do?
- Session Two — Reparations Flashmob and Micro Lawsuits
- Session Three — Debt Cancellation and the Global Debt Trap
- Open floor synthesis of youth proposals and closing remarks by the Chair

## EVENT DETAILS

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| Date       | Saturday, 5 September 2026                                         |
| Time       | 10:30 AM                                                           |
| Venue      | ISSER Conference Hall, University of Ghana, Legon                  |
| Media RSVP | Contact: +233559227495<br>Accreditation deadline: 20 AUGUST, 2026. |



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## **ABOUT THE PAN-AFRICAN PROGRESSIVE FRONT (PPF)**

The Pan-African Progressive Front (PPF) is an international non-governmental organisation headquartered in Accra, Ghana. It stands at the forefront of the fight for Africa's unification and is committed to coordinating and supporting progressive movements across Africa and the diaspora, with the goal of advancing the true interests and future of the continent.

Inspired by the vision of Dr. Kwame Nkrumah and other Pan-Africanists, PPF believes that Africa's destiny must rest in the hands of its own people, and that its future lies in its political and economic unity — serving as the bedrock of our strength and continental sovereignty.

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