Africa Dyslexia Conference

2027



20th - 22nd October, 2027

Theme:
FROM AWARENESS TO ACTION
Practical Strategies for Addressing Hidden Barriers to Learning

Location: Accra, Ghana
Al-Rayan International School

THE ADC 2027

Across Africa, improving foundational literacy and numeracy remains an urgent education priority. Governments and development partners continue to invest in curriculum reform, teacher development, assessment and interventions to improve learning outcomes. Yet many children continue to struggle to acquire the foundational skills they need to progress through education and participate fully in society.

The challenge is particularly complex in multilingual African classrooms, where learners may speak one language at home, learn in another and be assessed in another. Educators need the knowledge and practical skills to understand why a learner may be struggling, recognise persistent difficulties early and determine what support is needed.

Addressing learning differences should not, however, be understood as creating a separate approach for a small group of learners. Many evidence-informed practices that are essential for learners with dyslexia, dyscalculia and related learning differences can strengthen teaching and learning for many others. Stronger everyday instruction, combined with early identification and targeted support for learners who need more, can create classrooms and education systems that respond more effectively to learner variability.



AFRICA DYSLEXIA CONFERENCE 2027

ADC 2027 will be a 2.5-day professional learning and systems-change conference bringing together approximately 250 participants across the African continent and beyond. Under the theme *From Awareness to Action: Practical Strategies for Addressing Hidden Barriers to Learning,* the conference will focus not only on understanding why learners struggle, but on what educators, families, institutions and education systems can do about it.

Research, professional expertise, African experience and lived experience will be translated into practical approaches that participants can take back to their classrooms, schools, homes, institutions and education systems.

ADC 2027 aims to strengthen understanding of the hidden barriers that affect learning while equipping educators, school leaders, specialists and families with practical, evidence-informed approaches to identification, teaching and support. It will advance culturally and linguistically responsive practice, strengthen whole-school and system approaches, and connect research, lived experience and professional knowledge with education practice and policy across African contexts.

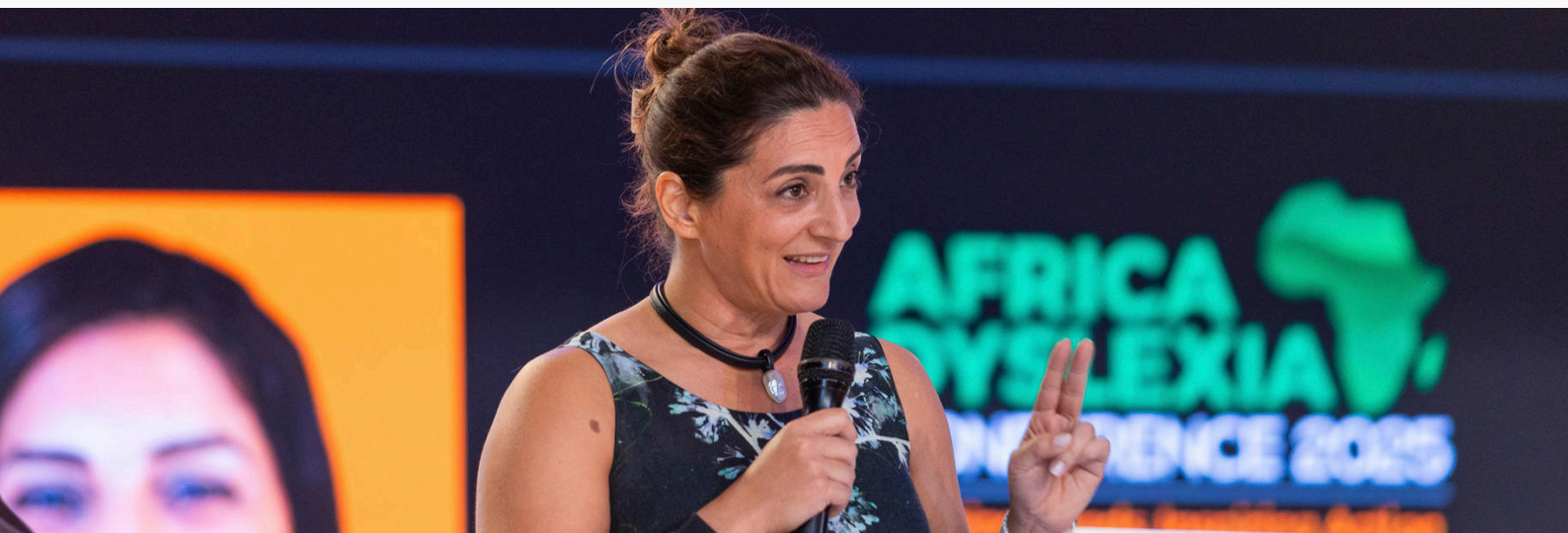
THE CONFERENCE WILL BE GUIDED BY FOUR QUESTIONS:

- **UNDERSTAND** What may be preventing a learner from progressing?
- **IDENTIFY** What should educators, families and systems look for?
- **SUPPORT** What evidence-informed strategies and interventions can make a difference?
- **IMPLEMENT** How can effective approaches become part of everyday classroom, school and system practice?

THE CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE

- High-level keynotes & panels
- Interactive masterclasses
- Policy and leadership dialogues
- Research exchange
- Lived-experience conversations
- Technology and resource showcases

Participants should leave not only knowing more, but knowing what they can do differently.



WHAT WE WILL EXPLORE

Foundational Literacy, Numeracy and Learning Differences:

Understanding how learners develop foundational skills, why some experience persistent difficulties, and how dyslexia, dyscalculia, ADHD, DLD and related learning differences affect learning and educational progress.

Classroom Practice: Teaching, Intervention and Learner Support:

Practical, evidence-informed approaches for teachers and practitioners, including literacy and numeracy instruction, differentiation, classroom routines, accommodations, targeted intervention, accessible resources, assessment approaches and assistive tools that can be applied in everyday teaching.

School Leadership: Building Inclusive Schools and Support Systems:

Practical approaches for school leaders and administrators to build sustainable systems for inclusion, including identification and referral processes, learner-support structures, staff capacity-building, professional learning, resourcing, parent engagement, inclusive policies and whole-school culture.

Language, Multilingualism and Learning:

Exploring how home language, language of instruction and dialect interact with literacy, numeracy and learning differences, including how educators distinguish language-related challenges from persistent learning difficulties in multilingual African classrooms.

Early Identification, Screening and Assessment:

Strengthening culturally and linguistically responsive approaches to observation, screening, assessment, progress monitoring, referral and appropriate support within African contexts.

Families, Well-being and Lived Experience:

Equipping parents, grandparents and caregivers to understand and support learners while addressing confidence, stigma, belonging, emotional well-being, self-advocacy and the lived experiences of children, young people and adults with learning differences.

Research, Technology and Innovation:

Connecting African research and evidence with practice while exploring assistive technology, accessible learning resources, digital tools demos and responsible applications of AI for identification, teaching and learner support.

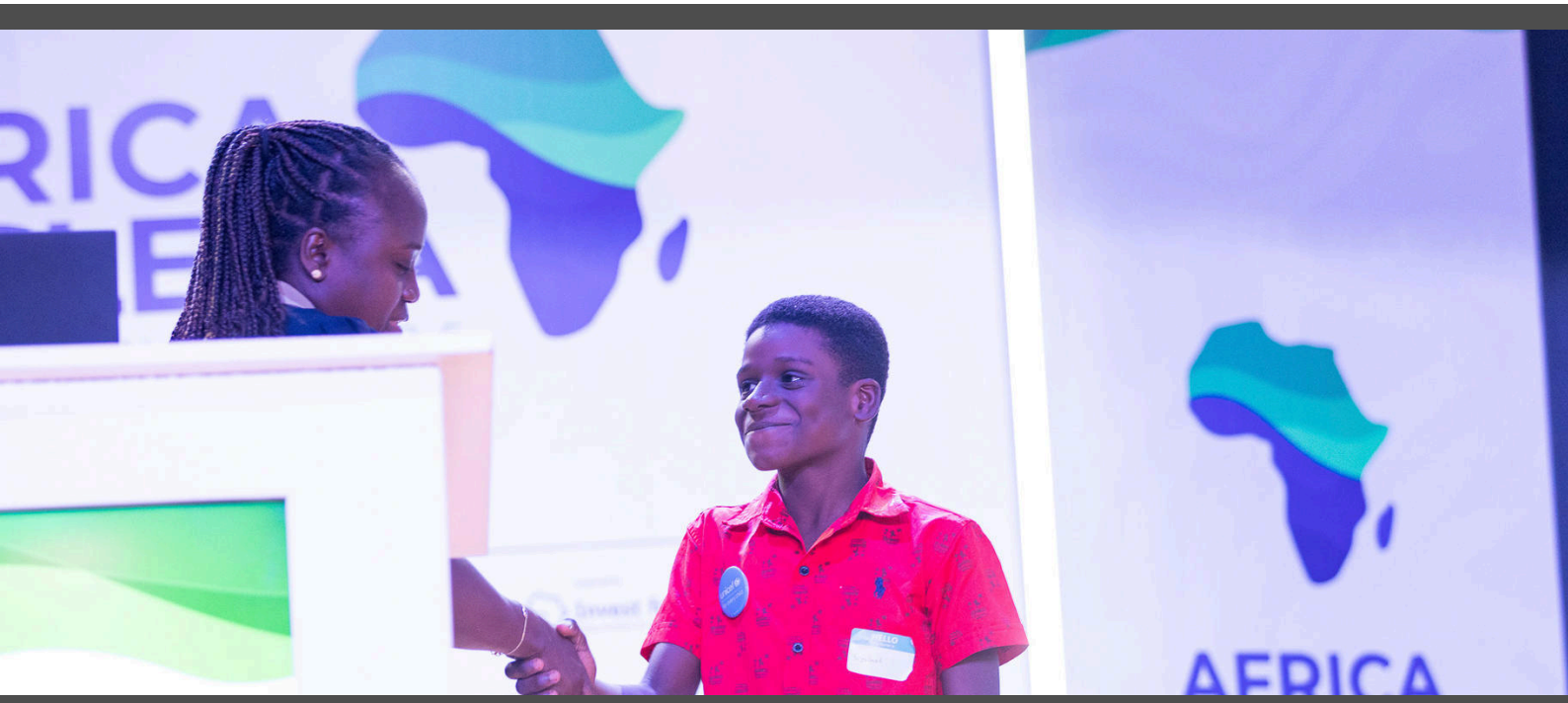
Policy, Systems and Learning Across the Lifespan:

Examining how policy and education systems can strengthen teacher development, identification, support and inclusion, while addressing transitions into higher education, TVET, employment, entrepreneurship and adult life.

WHY THIS MATTERS
BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Hidden barriers to learning can have consequences far beyond a child's immediate experience in school.
When persistent difficulties with literacy and numeracy are not recognised and appropriately supported, they can affect:

- Educational progression and attainment
- Access to further education and training
- Skills development
- Confidence and participation
- Employment and entrepreneurship pathways
- The ability of individuals to develop and contribute their talents



At scale, this becomes an economic and human-capital issue.
When education systems fail to enable learners to develop and demonstrate their abilities, countries risk leaving talent, skills and productive potential unrealised.
Conversely, stronger teaching, earlier recognition of persistent difficulties and appropriate support can create better pathways for learners to progress through education, develop their capabilities and participate more fully in society and the economy.

Supporting learners who learn differently is not only an inclusion issue.
It is an education, skills and human capital imperative.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

ADC 2027 will convene an intentionally focused community of approximately 250 participants, creating space for deeper professional learning, practical engagement and meaningful cross-sector collaboration.

EDUCATION: School Leaders, Teachers, Teaching Assistants,Teacher Educators, Literacy & Numeracy Specialists

POLICY & SYSTEMS: Government Officials, Education Policymakers, Development Partners, Education Agencies

RESEARCH & PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE: Universities, Researchers, Learning-Support Professionals, Psychologists, Allied Professionals

FAMILIES & LIVED EXPERIENCE: Parents, Caregivers, Advocates, Young People & Adults with Learning Differences

INNOVATION & EMPLOYMENT: EdTech, Assistive Technology, Employers, Private Sector, Social Innovators, Publishers

One conference: Multiple levels of change.
Classrooms, Schools, Families, Institutions, Systems.



WHY PARTNER WITH ADC 2027?

Your partnership will help move the conversation around learning differences from awareness to practical action. Your Support will:

- Equip educators and school leaders with practical strategies they can apply after the conference
- Strengthen early identification and support for learners experiencing persistent difficulties
- Increase access to high-quality professional learning
- Advance culturally and linguistically responsive approaches for African contexts
- Strengthen the place of learning differences within foundational literacy and numeracy
- Connect African research and evidence with classroom and system practice
- Support families with practical knowledge and pathways to support
- Elevate the voices and experiences of people with learning differences
- Strengthen collaboration among governments, universities, educators and development partners
- Advance the wider education, skills and human-capital case for addressing hidden barriers to learning

The conference will also produce an Africa Dyslexia Conference 2027 Outcomes and Recommendations Brief, extending learning and recommendations beyond the event itself.





SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

PLATINUM PARTNER

$10,000
(2 Slots)

Strategic Leadership Partner

- Sponsorship of one Keynote or High-Level Panel
- Sponsor Acknowledgment During the Opening Plenaries
- 4-minute plenary address
- Participation in Corporate Roundtable
- Exhibition table
- Prominent branding across conference materials
- Dedicated 1-Minute Promotional Video
- 2 Social Media Posts
- Feature in ADC's Monthly Newsletters Leading up to the Conference
- Inclusion in Conference Outcomes Report
- 3 Delegate Registrations
- Opportunity to Receive the Conference Delegates' List, Subject to ADC's Data Policy



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

GOLD PARTNER

$7,500
(4 Slots)

Programme Integration Partner

- Sponsorship of one panel session
- 2-minute plenary address
- Exhibition table
- Logo Displayed on the ADC Programme, Plenary slides, Website
- 2 Delegate Pass
- Sponsor Acknowledgment During the Opening Plenaries
- 1 Social Media Post
- Feature in ADC's Monthly Newsletters Leading up to the Conference
- Dedicated 1-Minute Promotional Video
- Inclusion in Conference Outcomes Report
- Opportunity to Receive the Conference Delegates' List, Subject to ADC's Data Policy

SILVER PARTNER

$5,000

Visibility Partner

- Breakout sponsorship
- Exhibition table
- 2 Delegate Pass
- Logo placement on programme and website
- 1 Social Media Post
- Feature in ADC's Monthly Newsletters Leading up to the Conference
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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

BRONZE PARTNER

$2,500

Conference Presence Partner

- Exhibition table
- Sponsor Acknowledgment During the Opening Plenaries
- Logo Displayed on the ADC Website & Programme
- 1 Delegate Pass
- 1 Social Media Post
- Feature in ADC's Monthly Newsletters Leading up to the Conference
- Inclusion in Conference Outcomes Report

CATERING SPONSORSHIP

$35,000

- ***Full Coverage of Catering Budget***

LUNCH CO-SPONSOR

$5,000
(4 Slots)

- Branding during sponsored lunch
- Sponsor Acknowledgment During the Opening Plenaries
- 1 Social Media Post
- Feature in ADC's Monthly Newsletters Leading up to the Conference
- On-site signage
- Logo placement on programme and website
- 2 Delegate Pass
- Inclusion in Conference Outcomes Report
- Dedicated 1-Minute Promotional Video
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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

COFFEE BREAK SPONSOR

$2,500
(6 Slots)

- Branding during sponsored coffee break
- Sponsor Acknowledgment During the Opening Plenaries
- Logo Displayed on the ADC Website & Programme
- 1 Delegate Pass
- 1 Social Media Post
- Feature in ADC's Monthly Newsletters Leading up to the Conference
- Inclusion in Conference Outcomes Report

EXECULSIVE SPONSORSHIP

ATTENDEE WELCOME BAG $3,000

1 AVAILABLE

- First impression, maximum exposure
- Company logo on every official attendee welcome bag
- Includes one sponsor-provided item in each bag
- Includes 2 full conference registrations

ATTENDEE WELCOME $3,00

BAG INSERT

Put your brand directly in attendees' hands from day one by including a logoed item in the Attendee Welcome Bag, a prime opportunity to make a lasting first impression and drive traffic to your booth!

LANYARDS $2,000

1 AVAILABLE

- Logo on official conference lanyards, worn throughout the event
- Seen by every attendee, speaker, and exhibitor
- Includes one sponsor-provided welcome bag insert

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY $7,000

1 AVAILABLE

- Hands-on product demonstrations with engaged attendees, positioning your brand as a leader in accessible learning
- Sponsorship applies to all event days AT lab
- Company logo featured prominently within the lab space and on all related signature
- Recognition on conference website, and conference program

MOBILE APP

$3,000

1 AVAILABLE

- Your company see every time attendees check sessions, schedules, and networking tools.
- Company logo featured prominently throughout mobile app.
- Four (4) push notifications sent during conference to drive traffic to your exhibition table, or website.

EXHIBITION PACKAGE

$300
Ghanaian Exhibitor

$1,000
International Exhibitor

Exhibitor

- Exhibition table
- 1 Delegate Pass
- Logo placement on website and printed programme
- Logo Displayed on the Conference Plenary Slides
- Mention in post-event report

BUILDING ON A STRONG CONTINENTAL PLATFORM

The Africa Dyslexia Conference brings together organisations across education, research, development, business and civil society around a shared commitment to improving learning and inclusion.

We are grateful to the organisations that supported and partnered with the Africa Dyslexia Conference 2025.

PARTNER WITH US

Help move Africa from awareness to action.

When a learner struggles, recognising the difficulty is only the beginning. What matters next is whether the adults, institutions and systems surrounding that learner know how to respond.

By partnering with Africa Dyslexia Conference 2027, your organisation will help turn understanding into practical action and strengthen opportunities for more learners to succeed.

CONFIRM YOUR PARTNERSHIP

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ABOUT

AFRICA DYSLEXIA ORGANIZATION

Africa Dyslexia Organization is a Ghana-based, pan-African nonprofit organisation working to improve educational and life outcomes for children, young people and adults with dyslexia and related learning differences. ADO works across educator capacity development, early identification, family support, research, policy and advocacy, technology, inclusive education and workplace inclusion. Through collaboration with schools, universities, governments, researchers, development partners and practitioners, ADO works to strengthen the systems surrounding learners so that learning difficulties are recognised earlier and appropriate support becomes more accessible.

Our Impact

8,243
Educators trained in dyslexia, related learning differences, and structured literacy.

824,300+
Learners reached annually through our trained educators.

347
Dyslexia advocates trained to raise awareness across 38 African countries.

500+
Parents and caregivers educated on dyslexia and related learning differences.



2025 Annual Impact Report

2025 Conference Report

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