

AEF at the 80th Session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA80)

New York, 22–24 September 2025

This is the moment for Africa-Europe.

AEF's engagement in the margins of UNGA80 will be anchored by our #RoadtoLuanda25: Africa-Europe Rising initiative, bringing fresh thinking, bold ideas and diverse voices in the lead up to the 7th AU-EU Summit in Angola on 24-25 November. Together with political and industry leaders, we're building a powerful, inclusive, and forward-looking narrative – one that showcases impact, mobilises knowledge, and shifts the paradigm of cooperation from aid to equality.

Africa-Europe Women Leaders Network

22 September | 7:30-9:00 (doors open 7:00) | Permanent Mission of Ireland to the UN | Invite-only

Co-chaired by Presidents Mary Robinson and Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, the meeting provides a platform to jointly drive a shared agenda for the 7th AU-EU Summit, building on the group's current advocacy efforts for sustainable development and finance. The meeting will act as a bridge on the #RoadtoLuanda25 between the Africa Climate Summit 2 (Addis Ababa, 8-10 September) and upcoming milestones, including WBG/IMF Annual Meetings (Washington DC, 13-18 October), the UN Climate Conference, COP30 (Belém, 10-21 November) and G20 Summit (Johannesburg, 22-23 November).

Tackling Future Threats in an Era of Multipolarity: Collaborative Leadership for Security, Health Emergencies, Climate, and Finance

23 September | 8:00-9:45 (doors open 7:30) | Scandinavia House | Public Panel | [Registration](#)

Together with partners, Pandemic Action Network (PAN), The Elders, the Independent Panel for Pandemic Preparedness and Response (IPPPR) and Resilience Action Network Africa (RANA), we are bringing together perspectives from country, institutional and philanthropic leaders to address leadership opportunities and actions that bolster resilience against the interconnected threats of pandemic, climate, economic, and conflict shocks that affect lives and livelihoods around the world.

Collective Minds Climate x Health Council

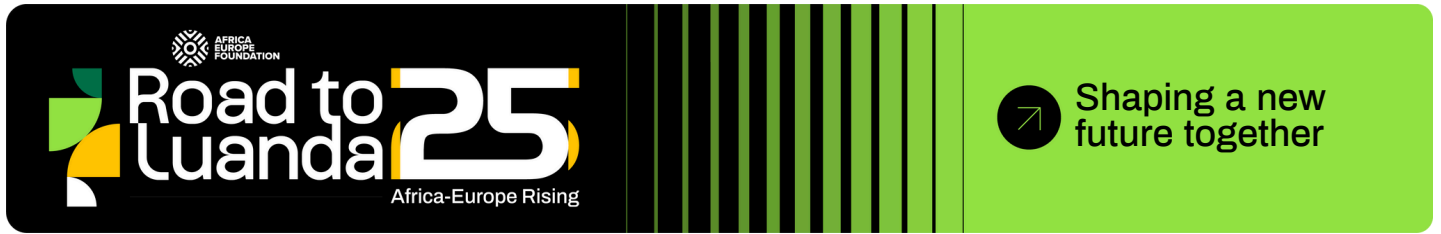
23 September | 15:00-16:00 | Studio Gather | Internal meeting

The annual in person meeting of the Collective Minds Council in New York – the first think-and-do-tank dedicated to climate-health – co-convened together with Foundation S. The working meeting will discuss the release of the third edition of the Council's Action Report and ensure the health agenda remains central to climate and investment discussions, including at the World Health Summit in Berlin, 3rd Conference on One Sustainable Health in Lyon, COP30 in Belém, and at the 7th AU-EU Summit in Luanda.

Africa-Europe High-Level Dinner-Dialogue

23 September | 19:00-21:00 | The Yale Club | Invite only

In collaboration with the SADC Presidency of Madagascar and Global Solutions Initiative, this high-level dinner-dialogue will bring together African, European and Institutional leaders to align priorities ahead of the 7th AU-EU Summit. The convening provides a constructive space to exchange perspectives, identify together strategic opportunities that hold the most promise for a transformative cross-continental partnership, and shape a cooperative agenda based on action.



Risk, Resilience, Results: The Power of Investing in Locally-led Climate and Health Solutions

24 September | 8:30-9:30 | Studio Gather | Public Panel | [Registration](#)

Across the globe, community-level solutions are demonstrating their impact—showing how targeted, cost-effective interventions can reduce risk, save lives, and strengthen health systems under pressure. Together with Foreign Policy and Foundation S, this high-level forum will spotlight the 2025 Collective Minds Climate x Health Council report and showcase concrete examples of “community best buys” with the aim of translating local innovation into broader resilience and investment.