

# INVESTING IN NIGERIA (LONDON) 09

DMA and their conference partners **Africa Matters Limited** (AML), were proud to host **HE Goodluck Jonathan** on his first visit to the UK as Vice President of Nigeria together with his delegation of key ministers and Nigerian state governors, for the **Stating the Case for Investing in Nigeria** event, held at Savoy Place on 22 April 2009.

In his keynote presentation the Vice President stated *“We are taking drastic measures to rebuild, overhaul and considerably improve power supply and transportation in order to increase the efficiency of our national economy and decrease the cost of doing business in our country. To achieve quick and sustainable results, we are among other measures privatizing power and transport infrastructure. Furthermore, we are doing everything possible to strengthen the enforcement of law and order as well as tackle the security challenges of the Niger Delta.”*

Joining the Vice President from Nigeria were Minister of State for Finance, Remi Babalola; Minister of Mines and Steel Development, Diezani Allison Madueke; the ministers of transport, national planning, agriculture, commerce and industry and the governors of Kano and Rivers states, who each highlighted the modern framework for supporting business and the opportunities that exist for investment across the country.

Other speakers at the event included AML’s Chairman, Baroness Lynda Chalker, co-coordinator of the Honorary International Investment Council. Steven Dimitriyev, senior private sector development specialist for the World Bank showed how quickly Nigeria could rise through the ratings in the World Bank’s Doing Business survey by implementing best practices. Major international investors from Dangote, Lafarge and Total, sponsors of the event, highlighted how business and investment could flourish in Nigeria.



Stating the Case for Investing in Nigeria

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