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Welcome to the 12th issue of Invest Salone's quarterly newsletter

This quarter, Invest Salone, along with co-sponsors Africa Resilience Investment Accelerator (ARIA) and Pangea Global Ventures, **hosted the Sierra**Leone Investment Summit at the AFSIC Investing in Africa Conference.

Highlights of the event included insights from successful investors and the launch of a deal book containing 15 viable impact investment opportunities.

An investment field trip to explore opportunities in the agribusiness sector built on last year's delegation of development finance institutions and is part of an ongoing series of activities to support investment in Sierra Leone.

Invest Salone teamed up with Sierra Leone's commercial banking sector to discuss how voluntary lending principles can help incentivise improved sustainability practices for business borrowers.

The team **celebrated World Tourism Day** by spotlighting the role of Sierra Leone's artistic renaissance in promoting tourism and peace, and **continued** the 'Made in Salone' blog series with a piece on the potential of food tourism

A new investment insight exploring the opportunities and challenges of investing in Sierra Leone's carbon market, and a tourism sector overview demonstrating how the programme works with the sector to support

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LATEST NEWS



Spotlight on investing in Sierra Leone at the AFSIC Investing in Africa conference and exhibition

Expert intelligence on Sierra Leone's impact investment market, first-hand insights from successful investors and the launch of a deal book containing 15 viable impact investment opportunities were the highlights of the Sierra Leone Investment Summit at this year's AFSIC – Investing in Africa conference and exhibition. Read more >>



Investor field trip to Sierra Leone's agribusiness



The commercial banking sector discusses voluntary

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Agriculture is a core component of Sierra Leone's economy, employing about two-thirds of the labour force. To explore investment and learning opportunities in the sector, Invest Salone recently conducted an investment field trip to Port Loko – Sierra Leone's agribusiness heartland. Read more >>

Demonstrating support for green growth and ethical business models, voluntary sustainable lending principles could incentivise business borrowers to improve their sustainability performance. Read more >>



World Tourism Day: Invest Salone highlights the role of Sierra Leone's artistic renaissance in promoting tourism and social unity

As World Tourism Day underscores tourism's potential for fostering peace through cultural understanding, Invest Salone examines how Sierra Leone's artistic renaissance could be the country's conduit to a more harmonious society, and a powerful tourist attraction. Read more >>



Could 'Made in Salone' cuisine be a bite-size gateway to the growth of Sierra Leonean tourism?

The flavour of 'Made in Salone' food is beginning to make its mark internationally. As Sierra Leone is set to host UN Tourism's third Regional Forum on Gastronomy for Africa in 2026, could food tourism – one of the world's fastest growing tourism categories – offer real opportunities to boost the country's economy? Read more >>

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Invest Salone Insights: Voluntary carbon markets in Sierra Leone

The voluntary carbon market is a growing global industry that offers great potential for Sierra Leone to channel climate finance and could provide significant opportunities for investors. Explore the opportunities, challenges and next steps to establish a regulated carbon marketplace. Read more >>

Invest Salone: The tourism sector

The travel and tourism industry offers opportunities for economic diversification and market-creation. It is one of the world's largest and fastest growing sectors, responsible for one-in-four new jobs globally. This infographic explores how Invest Salone is working with the sector to overcome challenges and identify opportunities for growth. Read more >>



SOCIAL MEDIA



The Invest Salone team was delighted to host Her Excellency Josephine Gauld - the new British High Commissioner to <u>#SierraLeone</u> and introduce her to our work to encourage investment, generate exports, support job creation and economic diversification in <u>#SierraLeone</u>.

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Speakers from Sierra Leone's NIB, BII, Proparco, Ecobank SL, Cygnum, Truestone, & Sherbro Alliance, at today's Sierra Leone Investment Summit at AFSIC shared info on successful transactions, derisking & investment opportunities. Organised by Invest Salone, ARIA & Pangea Global Ventures.



Find Invest Salone, ARIA, Pangea Global Ventures, the NIB and BII at the Sierra Leone Investment Summit happening today at AFSIC in London. Highlights include intel on #SierraLeone's investment market, networking with investors & a deal book with 15 investment opportunities.



Invest Salone joined private sector reps & the World Bank to discuss how the business sector can support mitigation & adaptation actions that will address #climate change in #SierraLeone. Key Qs included: challenges & barriers, incentives & additional funding sources.



Invest Salone has worked with the Central Bank to boost its capacity to support the development of sustainable finance in #SierraLeone. Congrats to successful participants of our Introduction to Sustainability, Climate Change & Finance – which was designed with the Central Bank.









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