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Global Shapers Community Invited to Ring Nigerian Stock Exchange Closing Bell

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- The World Economic Forum 's Global Shapers Community is to ring the closing bell at the Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE)
- Shapers from Hubs in Lagos, Abuja and Kano, and the director of the Global Shapers Community will be present
- Media are invited to attend the event at the Stock Exchange House in Lagos, 2/4 Customs Street, on 28 April 2014 beginning at 14.00

Geneva, Switzerland, 25 April 2014 – Young African members of the Global Shapers Community, an initiative of the World Economic Forum, have been invited to the Nigerian Stock Exchange in Lagos to bring the day 's financial trading to a close by ringing the Closing Bell on 28 April at 14.00 (WAT).

The Shapers, from Hubs in Lagos, Abuja and Kano, will be joined by Adeyemi Babington-Ashaye, Director of the Global Shapers Community, and Chidiogo Akunyili, Senior Community Manager for Africa.

The Global Shapers Community is an international network of young, dynamic and socially engaged leaders from across the world. Since 2011, more than 3,000 Global Shapers have joined the community; all are aged between 20 and 30 at the time of joining. Organized into city-based Hubs, the Global Shapers have committed to working

There are 73 Hubs in Africa, with at least one Hub in every African country. Hub members have established

together to make a positive and tangible impact through local projects in over 320 cities.

projects in their communities, including a clean water initiative for local villages in Kano, a financial literacy training programme for vocational students in Lagos and a Christmas gift initiative for a children 's home in Abuja. These are just some of the activities leading up to SHAPE Africa 2014, the annual gathering of Global Shapers from across Africa, which is being hosted this year by the Abuja Hub in Abuja from 5 to 6 May 2014. Over 100 members of the Global Shapers Community will participate in SHAPE Africa, which will operate under the theme "Bold Solutions". The meeting aims to enable Global Shapers to come up with ideas and strategies to achieve greater positive impact in their communities. To find out more about the Global Shapers Community, members of the media are invited to attend and meet Global Shapers after the closing bell ceremony at 14.00 (WAT) on 28 April 2014 at Stock Exchange House in Lagos, 2/4 Customs Street. Notes to Editors For more information about the Global Shapers Community, visit: www.weforum.org/globalshapers

- Videos on the Global Shapers Community can be downloaded at http://youtu.be/m8r9bqpSTul and http://youtu.be/m8r9bqpSTul and http://youtu.be/shaAiy2S3fk
- Follow the Global Shapers on Twitter at ogglobalshapers
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