



# Inauguration and Naming the IITA Research Station, “The President Olusegun Obasanjo Research Campus” Kalambo, Bukavu

By  
His Excellency Félix Tshisekedi  
President of the Democratic Republic of Congo

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## Program

Time	Activity
0830–1100	Movement of guests to Kalambo Station
1100–1400	Arrival of guests
1400–1405	National anthem
1405–1420	Opening speech by the IITA Director General, Dr. Nteranya Sanginga, followed by the naming of the Station by the DRC President, Mr. Félix Tshisekedi Tshilombo, followed by the symbolic ribbon cutting
1420–1430	Acceptance speech by HE, the former President of Nigeria Olusegun Obasanjo
1430–1630	Tour by Very very important guests (VVIPs)
1630–1700	Launching of the biotechnology laboratory by HE the DRC’s Head of State Félix Tshisekedi Tshilombo
1700–1710	Group photo and ushering of VVIPs into the Conference Hall
1710–1715	Keynote address by the Chairman of the IITA Board of Trustees, Dr Amos Namanga Ngongi
1715–1720	Keynote address by the Catholic Archbishop Mgr François Xavier Maroyi
1720–1725	Keynote address by the Governor of the South-Kivu Province, Théo Ngwabidje Kasi
1725–1728	Statement by World Bank President representative, Dr. Omar Lyasse
1728–1731	Statement by HE, the Ambassador of the Royal Republic of Belgium Bertrand de Crombrugghe de Picquendaele
1731–1734	Statement by HE, the Ambassador of the United States of America Michael A. Hammer
1734–1737	Statement by HE, the President of Rwanda Paul Kagame
1737–1740	Statement by HE, Former Prime Minister of Ethiopia, Hailemariam Desalegn
1740–1750	Keynote address by the President, African Development Bank, Dr. Akinwumi Adesina
1750–1800	Keynote speech by HE the former President of Nigeria Olusegun Obasanjo
1800–1805	Introduction by the DRC President’s Chief of Staff, Dr Vital Kamerhe L.
1805–1830	Keynote speech by HE the DRC’s Head of State, Félix Tshisekedi Tshilombo
1830–1930	Departure of guests