INTERNATIONAL BOOK FAIR OF ABIDJAN
May 14-15-16-17 and 18, 2024
Abidjan Exhibition Park - Commune of Port Bouët
Under the patronage of H.E. Ally Coulibaly, Grand Chancellor of the National Order
Under the presidency of Madame Françoise Remarck, Minister of Culture and Francophonie

**Friday 17/5/2024**
**9:00 am**
Opening of the SILA doors
Location: PEA

**9:00 am – 4:00 pm**
Training Workshop on «Introduction to the Art of Proofreading»
Location: Media Library of the French Institute Ivory Coast (IFCI)

**9:00 am – 6:00 pm (continuous)**
SILA’Business
Location: PEA / SILA’Business Stand

**9:00 am – 7:00 pm (non-stop)**
Animations and Book Signing
Location: PEA / Exhibitors

**10:00 am – 12:00 pm**
USA Program / Conference on Female Leadership and Mentorship/Women Empowerment
Location: PEA / SILA Conference Hall

**9:30 am – 11:00 am**
Thematic Panel 4 on «Dialogue and Engagement, Tools for Structuring the Book Chain»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**10:00 am – 12:00 pm**
USA Program / Conference on «Female Leadership and Mentorship/Women Empowerment»
Location: PEA / SILA Banquet Hall

**2:00 pm – 3:30 pm**
Thematic Panel 5 on «What Is the Impact of Diversifying Book Distribution Channels?»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**4:00 pm – 5:30 pm**
Location: PEA / Media Library

**5:30 pm – 7:00 pm**
Literary Café 2 / Afterwork «Toast and Literature»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**7:15 pm**
Closing of the SILA doors
Location: PEA

**Saturday 18/05/2024**
**9:00 am**
Opening of the SILA doors
Location: PEA

**9:00 am – 6:00 pm (continuous)**
SILA’Business
Location: PEA / SILA’Business Stand

**9:00 am – 7:00 pm (non-stop)**
Animations and Book Signing
Location: PEA / Exhibitors

**9:30 am – 11:00 am**
Thematic Panel 6 on «The Symbolism of the City in Bernard Binlin Dadlé’s Work»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**11:30 am – 1:00 pm**
Thematic Panel 7 on «What to Write, What to Publish for Teenage Readers?»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**1:30 pm – 2:30 pm**
Lunch break
Location: PEA / Gourmet Workshop

**2:30 pm – 4:30 pm**
National Dictation by the Rotary International (Abidjan, Grand-Bassam, Korhogo, San-Pedro, Daloa, Man, Abengourou)
Location: PEA / SILA Conference Hall + Across the country

**4:30 pm – 6:00 pm**
Official Closing Ceremony / SILA’Legend
Location: PEA / SILA Conference Hall

Theme: «The Book, Always a Winning Bet»
Country Guest of Honor: Republic of Kenya
Author of Honor: Serge Bilé
Host City: Grand-Bassam

Découvrez la puissance du livre !

OFFICIAL PROGRAM
**Tuesday 14/5/2024**

**9:00 am**
Opening of the SILA doors
Location: Parc des Expositions d’Abidjan (PEA)

**9:00 am**
Educational Resources Project / Training «Purchase/Sale of Rights - Best Preparation for SILA 2024»
Location: SHAP

**9:00 am - 6:00 pm (all day)**
SILA’Business
Location: PEA / SILA’Business Stand

**9:00 am - 7:00 pm (non-stop)**
Animations and Book Signing
Location: PEA / Exhibitors

**10:00 am - 12:00 pm**
Official ceremony for the proclamation of National Literary Awards
Location: PEA / SILA Conference Hall

**12:30 pm - 1:30 pm**
Lunch break
Location: PEA / Gourmet Workshop

**2:00 pm - 3:30 pm**
Thematic Panel 1 on «Grobli Zirignon: Around the Poet Inventor of Psychart-Therapy»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**3:30 pm - 5:00 pm**
Thematic Panel 2 on «Translation and Publishing to Cross Africa»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**5:00 pm - 6:30 pm**
Thematic Panel 3: «What Impact Do Social Networks Have on Book Sales ?»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**7:00 pm**
Closing of the SILA doors
Location: PEA

**Wednesday 15/5/2024**

**9:00 am**
Opening of the SILA doors
Location: PEA

**9:00 am - 6:00 pm (continuous)**
SILA’Business
Professional Breakfast
Location: PEA / SILA’Business Stand

**9:00 am - 7:00 pm (non-stop)**
Animations and Book Signing
Location: PEA / Exhibitors

**9:00 am - 1:00 pm**
SILA’Scrabble (competition)
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**10:00 am - 12:00 pm**
Proclamation of the «Golden Manuscript» Award
Location: PEA / SILA Conference Hall

**11:00 am - 1:00 pm**
Educational Resources Project / Round

Table 1: «The Bilingual Book: Cultural, Technical, and Economic Challenges»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**12:30 pm - 1:30 pm**
Lunch break
Location: PEA / Gourmet Workshop

**4:00 pm - 5:30 pm**
Official Opening Ceremony of the 14th SILA 2024
Location: PEA / SILA Conference Hall

**5:30 pm - 7:00 pm**
Literary Café 1 / Afterwork: «Toast and Literature»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**7:00 pm**
Closing of the SILA doors
Location: PEA

**Thursday 16/5/2024**

**9:00 am**
Opening of the SILA doors
Location: PEA

**9:00 am - 4:00 pm**
France Program / Training Workshop on «Introduction to the Art of Proofreading»
Location: Media Library of the French Institute Ivory Coast (IFCI)

**9:00 am – 6:00 pm (continuous)**
SILA’Business
Location: PEA / SILA’Business Stand

**9:00 am – 7:00 pm (non-stop)**
Animations and Book Signing
Location: PEA / Exhibitors

**9:00 am - 5:00 pm**
SILA’Scrabble (Competition)
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**10:00 am – 12:00 pm**
Educational Resources Project / Round
Table 2: «Comics and Related Arts: Dynamics and Economic Stakes in Francophone Africa»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**10:00 am - 11:00 am**
Meeting with Prof. Paule Constant (Concourt Academy) and Fallé Nincémon (Voice of Africa Prize 2024)
Location: PEA / SILA Conference Hall

**11:00 am – 12:00 pm**
France Program / Proclamation of the Choice Goncourt Ivory Coast
Location: PEA / SILA Conference Hall

**12:30 pm - 1:30 pm**
Lunch break
Location: PEA / Gourmet Workshop

**2:00 pm – 4:00 pm**
Educational Resources Project / Round
Table 3: «Youth Literature and Digital: What Perspectives?»
Location: PEA / Mezzanine

**2:00 pm – 4:00 pm**
USA Program / «Factfulness: Clear Thinking Is Teachable.»
Location: PEA / SILA Conference Hall

**5:00 pm – 7:00 pm**
Official Tribute Ceremony to Béchir Ben Yahmed, Founder of the Jeune Afrique Group: Crossed Perspectives on His Work and Memory
Location: PEA / Convention Center – Hall of Lost Steps

**7:00 pm**
Closing of the SILA doors
Location: PEA

**7:30 pm – 9:30 pm**
Location: SHAP

International Book Fair of Abidjan

Thematic Days:
- Tuesday, May 14: Akwaba Day - We invite everyone.
- Wednesday, May 15: Schools Day - We invite everyone.
- Thursday, May 16: Republic Day - We invite everyone.
- Friday, May 17: Geeks Day - We invite everyone.
- Saturday, May 18: Family Day - We invite everyone.

Come, Visit, Feel the Vibe