

## TOP 100 TWITTER ACCOUNTS IN AFRICAN AID AND DEVELOPMENT

In advance of the [Aid & Development Africa Summit](#) on 27-28 February 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya, the Aid & International Development Forum (AIDF) has created a list of 100 best Twitter accounts to follow in African aid and development, comprising of 50 humanitarian leaders and 50 organisations working to advance Sustainable Development Goals in the region. Listed in alphabetical order, the accounts were selected based on their impact in African sustainable development, level of activity and engaging content on the social network. [@FollowAIDF #AIDF100](#)

### INDIVIDUALS:

Name	Twitter	Info	Followers*
<b>Achim Steiner</b>	<a href="#">@ASteiner</a>	United Nations Development Programme Administrator, Former Director of Oxford Martin School at Oxford University	25, 000
<b>Ahunna Eziakonwa</b>	<a href="#">@ahunnaeziakonwa</a>	United Nations Resident Coordinator, UNDP Resident Representative and UN Humanitarian Coordinator in Ethiopia	1, 283
<b>Alloysius Attah</b>	<a href="#">@Alloysiusattah</a>	Co-Founder & CEO of Farmline	1, 681
<b>Amina J. Mohammed</b>	<a href="#">@AminaJMohammed</a>	Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations	88, 400
<b>Anita M. V. Erskine</b>	<a href="#">@TheAnitaErskine</a>	Global Advocate for Girls' Education and Maternal Health, Award-Winning Broadcaster	57, 900
<b>António Guterres</b>	<a href="#">@antonioguterres</a>	Secretary-General of the United Nations.	199, 000
<b>Aubrey Hruby</b>	<a href="#">@AubreyHruby</a>	African Investment Advisor, Co-Author of The Next Africa	3, 298
<b>Bill Gates</b>	<a href="#">@BillGates</a>	Co-Chair of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation	39.6 million
<b>Bogolo Kenewendo</b>	<a href="#">@BogoloKenewendo</a>	Specially Elected Member of Parliament for Botswana, Founder of Molaya Kgosi, Youth & Women Empowerment Activist	6, 167
<b>Calestous Juma</b>	<a href="#">@calestous</a>	Professor at Harvard Kennedy School, Founder of the African Centre for Technology Studies	112, 000
<b>Carolyn Miles</b>	<a href="#">@Carolynsave</a>	President & CEO of Save the Children	50, 200
<b>Catherine Constantinides</b>	<a href="#">@ChangeAgentSA</a>	Humanitarian, Climate and Environment Activist, Mandela Washington Fellow, National Director of Miss Earth South Africa	43, 900
<b>David Miliband</b>	<a href="#">@DMiliband</a>	President and CEO of the International Rescue Committee.	246, 000
<b>Denis Mukwege</b>	<a href="#">@DenisMukwege</a>	Founder and Medical Director of Panzi Hospital, Gynaecological Surgeon	31, 500
<b>Edna Adam</b>	<a href="#">@EdnaAdan</a>	Founder of Edna Adan Hospital & University and Edna Adan Foundation	35, 800
<b>Elisabetta Demartis</b>	<a href="#">@EliDemartis</a>	ICT for Agriculture Consultant at UNFAO Senegal, Founder of Agritools, Co-Founder of Yeesal Agri Hub	1, 462
<b>Filippo Grandi</b>	<a href="#">@RefugeesChief</a>	UN High Commissioner for Refugees	29, 300









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<b>Ilwad Elman</b>	<a href="#">@IlwadElman</a>	Director of Programs and Development at Elman Peace & HRC, Kofi Annan Foundation Ambassador	25, 600
<b>Iyinoluwa Aboyeji</b>	<a href="#">@iabojeji</a>	Co-Founder of Andela and Flutterwave	27, 400
<b>Dr. Joanne Liu</b>	<a href="#">@JoanneLiu MSF</a>	International President of Médecins Sans Frontières	14, 400
<b>Joe Cerrell</b>	<a href="#">@CerrJ</a>	Managing Director of Global Policy and Advocacy at the Gates Foundation	16, 000
<b>Dr. Josephine Kulea</b>	<a href="#">@JosephineKulea</a>	Founder of Samburu Girls Foundation	4, 569
<b>Juliana Rotich</b>	<a href="#">@afromusing</a>	Co-Founder of BRCK Inc., Board Member of the Kenya Vision 2030 Delivery Board.	65, 300
<b>Kathy Calvin</b>	<a href="#">@Kathy_Calvin</a>	President & CEO of the United Nations Foundation	9, 693
<b>Kent Page</b>	<a href="#">@KentPage</a>	UNICEF Strategic Communication Advisor (Emergencies)	56, 600
<b>Kesete Admasu</b>	<a href="#">@KeseteA</a>	CEO of Roll Back Malaria Partnership, former Ethiopian Minister of Health	60, 900
<b>Kofi Annan</b>	<a href="#">@KofiAnnan</a>	Chairman of the Kofi Annan Foundation, former Secretary-General of the United Nations.	195, 000
<b>Leymah Gbowee</b>	<a href="#">@LeymahRGbowee</a>	Founder of Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa, 2011 Nobel Peace Laureate	9, 198
<b>Dr. Loise Gichuhi</b>	<a href="#">@Loise_Gichuhi</a>	Founder of Education Bridge – Africa, Education Economist	3, 995
<b>Mandeep Dhaliwal</b>	<a href="#">@Mandeep_Dh</a>	Director of the United Nations Development Programme’s HIV, Health and Development Group	7, 616
<b>Marc Rennard</b>	<a href="#">@MarcRennard</a>	Deputy CEO of Orange, Africa ICT Specialist	7, 185
<b>Mark Green</b>	<a href="#">@USAIDMarkGreen</a>	Administrator of USAID	4, 681
<b>Melinda Gates</b>	<a href="#">@melindagates</a>	Co-Chair of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation	1.44 million
<b>Melissa Fleming</b>	<a href="#">@melissarfleming</a>	Chief Communications of United Nations Refugee Agency	53, 700
<b>Michel Sidibé</b>	<a href="#">@MichelSidibe</a>	Executive Director of UNAIDS	26, 800
<b>Mr. Agriculture (Rodgers Kirwa)</b>	<a href="#">@rodgers_kirwa</a>	Founder of iAgriBizAfrica	37, 900
<b>Musimbi Kanyoro</b>	<a href="#">@MKanyoro</a>	President & CEO of the Global Fund for Women	14, 600
<b>Dr. Natalia Kanem</b>	<a href="#">@Atayeshe</a>	Executive Director of the UNFPA	3, 882
<b>Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala</b>	<a href="#">@NOIweala</a>	Senior Advisor to Lazard, Board Chair at Gavi, Board Member of African Risk Capacity and former Nigerian Minister of Finance	651, 000
<b>Raj Shah</b>	<a href="#">@rajshah</a>	President of Rockefeller Foundation, former USAID Administrator	73, 000
<b>Seth Berkley</b>	<a href="#">@GaviSeth</a>	CEO of Gavi, Medical doctor specializing in infectious disease epidemiology and global health	32, 000
<b>Siddharth Chatterjee</b>	<a href="#">@sidchat1</a>	United Nations Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Kenya	11, 000
<b>Sue Desmond-Hellmann</b>	<a href="#">@SueDHellmann</a>	CEO of Gates Foundation	41, 800

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<b>Susan Onyango</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@susanonyango">@susanonyango</a>	Communicator for World Agroforestry	1, 134
<b>Sybella Wilkes</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@SybellaWilkes">@SybellaWilkes</a>	Senior Communications Officer of the UN Refugee Agency	13, 700
<b>Tech Soldier (Marième Jamme)</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@mjamme">@mjamme</a>	Founder of Spotone Global Solutions, Co-Founder of Africa Gathering, Advisory Board Member of Data Pop Alliance	22, 500
<b>Ted Turner</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@TedTurnerIII">@TedTurnerIII</a>	Chairman and Founder of Turner Foundation & Turner Endangered Species Fund, Philanthropist	10, 100
<b>The VillageBoy (Kimosop Jr)</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@ItsKimosopJr">@ItsKimosopJr</a>	Co-Founder of Agrofrontiers, Data & Financial Analyst, Volunteer at Rotary and Mentorthon	1, 399
<b>Tony O. Elumelu</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@TonyOElumelu">@TonyOElumelu</a>	Chairman of Heirs Holdings and Founder of the Tony Elumelu Foundation	487, 000
<b>William Easterly</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@bill_easterly">@bill_easterly</a>	NYU Economics Professor, Author of <i>The Tyranny of Experts</i>	101, 000

#### ORGANISATIONS:

Logo	Name	Twitter	Info	Followers*
	<b>(RED)</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@RED">@RED</a>	Harness the power of people and companies to help fight AIDS.	1.12 million
	<b>28 Too Many</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@28TooMany">@28TooMany</a>	28 Too Many is a leading anti-female genital mutilation (FGM) charity providing partners in Africa & the diaspora with the knowledge, tools & support to end FGM.	4, 610
	<b>ACET</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@AcetforAfrica">@AcetforAfrica</a>	African Centre for Economic Transformation: A Pan-African think-and-do-tank driving economic transformation.	6, 135
	<b>Africa 2.0</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@Africa2point0">@Africa2point0</a>	A youth-led Pan-African civil society organization dedicated to building an inspiring and prosperous Africa.	6, 189
	<b>Africa Progress Panel</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@africaprogress">@africaprogress</a>	Chaired by Kofi Annan, the ten-member Africa Progress Panel advocates at the highest level for equitable and sustainable development in Africa.	56, 600
	<b>African Development Bank Group</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@AfDB_Group">@AfDB_Group</a>	The African Development Bank Group works to reduce poverty and improve living conditions on the continent.	159, 000
	<b>AGRF Forum</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@TheAGRF">@TheAGRF</a>	The African green Revolution Forum (AGRF) is a community of African Heads of States, farmers, private agribusiness firms, financial institutions and NGOs.	4, 205
	<b>AML</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/@AfricaMatters1">@AfricaMatters1</a>	AML is an Africa-focused commercial consultancy specialising in strategy and risk management, due diligence and non-litigious dispute resolution.	842

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	<b>CIPESA</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/cipesaug">@cipesaug</a>	The Collaboration on International ICT Policy for East and Southern Africa (CIPESA) promotes inclusive ICT policy in Africa.	2, 853
	<b>Cocoa Abrabopa</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/Cocoa_Abrabopa">@Cocoa_Abrabopa</a>	Improving the livelihoods and income of cocoa farmers through sustainable cocoa production.	907
	<b>E4A – MamaYe</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/E4AMamaYeAfrica">@E4AMamaYeAfrica</a>	E4A – MamaYe campaigns to ensure maternal health and newborn survival across Africa.	3, 965
	<b>FAO in Africa</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/FAOAfrica">@FAOAfrica</a>	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Regional Office for Africa.	9, 248
	<b>Farmerline</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/farmerline">@farmerline</a>	We deliver relevant, timely, agro-content via voice, and climate-smart solutions to smallholder farmers on their mobile phones.	2, 154
	<b>Forward UK</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/FORWARDUK">@FORWARDUK</a>	Working to end Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) and Child Marriage. Safeguarding African women and girls and their rights and dignity.	7, 949
	<b>Future Agricultures</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/FutureAgrics">@FutureAgrics</a>	We investigate how agricultural policy in Africa is shaped, who it shapes and why.	15, 700
	<b>Gates Africa</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/GatesAfrica">@GatesAfrica</a>	Gates Foundation's Africa team. Let's talk about development, health and opportunity on the African continent.	4, 434
	<b>Gavi</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/Gavi">@Gavi</a>	Saving children's lives and protecting people's health by increasing equitable use of vaccines.	66, 100
	<b>Global Goals</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/GlobalGoalsUN">@GlobalGoalsUN</a>	Transforming our world by 2030 through the 17 Global Goals for Sustainable Development.	232, 000
	<b>Grand Challenges</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/gchallenges">@gchallenges</a>	Funded primarily by the Government of Canada, Grand Challenges Canada is dedicated to supporting Bold Ideas with Big Impact.	12, 300
	<b>iamtheCODE</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/i_amthecode">@i_amthecode</a>	First African-led global movement to mobilise government, business and foundations to advance STEM education by enabling 1 million women and girl coders by 2030.	1, 780
	<b>The International AIDS Vaccine Initiative</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/IAVI">@IAVI</a>	IAVI is a non-profit, public-private partnership working to accelerate development of preventative HIV vaccines	21, 100
	<b>InterAction</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/InterActionOrg">@InterActionOrg</a>	InterAction is the largest alliance of international NGOs & partners in the US, focused on the world's poor and most vulnerable.	31, 900

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	<b>International Agri-Food Network (IAFN)</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/AgriFoodNet">@AgriFoodNet</a>	IAFN is the elected focal point of the Private Sector Mechanism (PSM) at the UN Committee on World Food Security.	18, 200
	<b>International Rescue Committee</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/theIRC">@theIRC</a>	We respond to the world's worst humanitarian crises & help people survive, recover and gain control of their future.	390, 000
	<b>Jhpiego</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/Jhpiego">@Jhpiego</a>	A Johns Hopkins University Affiliate; we are saving lives, improving health and transforming futures.	23, 000
	<b>Malaria Consortium</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/FightingMalaria">@FightingMalaria</a>	Malaria Consortium is dedicated to the comprehensive control of malaria and other childhood infectious and neglected tropical diseases.	22, 100
	<b>Mental Health Innovation Network (MHIN) Africa</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/MHIN_Africa">@MHIN_Africa</a>	Connecting African mental health researchers, practitioners and policy makers to facilitate knowledge exchange and scale up of mental health innovations in Africa.	415
	<b>Mo Ibrahim Foundation</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/Mo_IbrahimFdn">@Mo_IbrahimFdn</a>	Supports good governance and great leadership in Africa.	74, 700
	<b>MSF East Africa</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/MSFNairobi">@MSFNairobi</a>	Médecins Sans Frontières Regional Information Office for East Africa.	4, 495
	<b>Next Einstein Forum</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/NextEinsteinFor">@NextEinsteinFor</a>	Connecting Science to Humanity. Highlighting Africa's contributions to science & innovation. Improving Science Policy.	4, 105
	<b>REFUNITE</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/refunite">@refunite</a>	REFUNITE is an online and mobile tracing tool helping refugees reconnect with family they have lost contact with during war, conflict or natural disaster.	71, 600
	<b>Roger Federer Foundation</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/rogerfedererfdn">@rogerfedererfdn</a>	Enabling parents and local communities in providing their children with the opportunity for a good education.	14, 000
	<b>SDG Fund</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/SDGFund">@SDGFund</a>	A UN mechanism that brings together governments, civil societies, businesses and UN agencies to achieve SDGs.	9, 058
	<b>She Leads Africa</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/SheLeadsAfrica">@SheLeadsAfrica</a>	Advice, opportunities and inspiration for smart African women.	21, 700
	<b>SHOFCO</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/hope2shine">@hope2shine</a>	We link free schools for girls in Kenyan slums to essential services for the whole community, like clean water and free healthcare.	4, 519
	<b>The Clinton Foundation</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/ClintonFdn">@ClintonFdn</a>	Improving global health, increasing opportunities for women and girls, creating economic opportunity and addressing the effects of climate change.	786, 000

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 <b>The Global Fund</b>	<b>The Global Fund</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/GlobalFund">@GlobalFund</a>	The Global Fund to fight AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria.	173, 000
 <b>The Rockefeller Foundation</b>	<b>The Rockefeller Foundation</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/RockefellerFdn">@RockefellerFdn</a>	The Rockefeller Foundation's mission – unchanged since 1913 – is to promote the well-being of humanity throughout the world.	138, 000
 <b>Transform Africa Summit</b>	<b>Transform Africa Summit</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/TASummit">@TASummit</a>	Transform Africa Summit is a platform that brings the continent's top political and business leaders together to shape Africa's digital transformation agenda.	4, 079
 <b>UK Aid – DfID</b>	<b>UK Aid – DfID</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/DFID_UK">@DFID_UK</a>	We lead the UK's work to end extreme poverty.	278, 000
 <b>UN ICT Agency</b>	<b>UN ICT Agency</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/ITU">@ITU</a>	Connecting the world through spectrum management, brokering standards and bridging the digital divide.	59, 600
 <b>UNAIDS</b>	<b>UNAIDS</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/UNAIDS">@UNAIDS</a>	UNAIDS leads and inspires the world to achieve zero new HIV infections, zero discrimination and zero aids-related deaths.	213, 000
 <b>UNDP Africa</b>	<b>UNDP Africa</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/UNDPAfrica">@UNDPAfrica</a>	Advancing sustainable human development in 46 sub-Saharan African countries.	21, 500
 <b>UNICEF</b>	<b>UNICEF</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/UNICEF">@UNICEF</a>	UNICEF saves children's lives, defends their rights, and helps them fulfil their potential.	6.47 million
 <b>United Nations Population Fund</b>	<b>United Nations Population Fund</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/UNFPA">@UNFPA</a>	Delivering a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe, and every young person's potential is fulfilled.	149, 000
 <b>USAID Kenya</b>	<b>USAID Kenya</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/USAIDKenya">@USAIDKenya</a>	Supporting democracy & governance, health education and economic growth.	25, 600
 <b>Visiola Foundation</b>	<b>Visiola Foundation</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/Visiola_Fdn">@Visiola_Fdn</a>	We mentor and educate academically bright but disadvantaged African girls and young women in the STEM fields.	1, 542
 <b>WHO African Region</b>	<b>WHO African Region</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/WHOAFRO">@WHOAFRO</a>	World Health Organization Regional Office for Africa.	17, 500
 <b>World Bank Africa</b>	<b>World Bank Africa</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/WorldBankAfrica">@WorldBankAfrica</a>	Fighting poverty with passion and professionalism for lasting results.	326, 000
 <b>World Cocoa Foundation (WCF)</b>	<b>World Cocoa Foundation (WCF)</b>	<a href="https://twitter.com/WorldCocoa">@WorldCocoa</a>	WCF promotes sustainability in the cocoa sector and works to improve cocoa livelihoods.	7, 224

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