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AFRIQOM and Acuity Commodities Unite Fertiliser, Sulphur and Mining Markets at Cape Town 2027

Strategic industry partnership expands the Africa Fertiliser Conference by AFRIQOM into the sulphur, sulphuric acid, mining and industrial markets shaping fertiliser economics across Africa

London, United Kingdom | 05 August 2026 — AFRIQOM has entered a strategic industry partnership with Acuity Commodities for the Africa Fertiliser Conference by AFRIQOM — Cape Town 2027, taking place from 1–3 February 2027 in Cape Town, South Africa.

The partnership will bring sulphur, sulphuric acid, mining and industrial demand into the heart of the conference, reflecting the growing interdependence between these markets and Africa's fertiliser industry.

Sulphur and sulphuric acid are critical inputs in phosphate fertiliser production, with their availability and cost directly influencing production economics, producer margins and fertiliser affordability. At the same time, demand from mining and metals processing, particularly for copper and cobalt production, is creating increasing competition for sulphur and sulphuric acid across Africa and international markets.

Against this backdrop, AFRIQOM and Acuity Commodities will create a stronger meeting point between the fertiliser, sulphur, mining and industrial communities.

Through the partnership, Acuity Commodities will contribute its specialist market intelligence, price reporting expertise and international industry network to the Cape Town conference. The collaboration will strengthen the programme's coverage of:

- Sulphur and sulphuric acid supply, demand and trade flows;
- Phosphate fertiliser production economics;
- Mining and metals demand;
- Raw-material availability and affordability;
- Logistics, infrastructure and supply security;
- Competition between fertiliser, metals and industrial consumers; and
- The impact of these interconnected markets on African fertiliser prices and availability.

The partnership will also broaden participation at the conference, bringing together fertiliser producers, importers, distributors and traders with sulphur suppliers, sulphuric

acid producers, mining companies, metals processors, industrial consumers, logistics providers, financiers and policymakers.

“Africa’s fertiliser market can no longer be discussed in isolation from sulphur, sulphuric acid and mining demand,” said Dr Mounir Halim, CEO of AFRIQOM. “Raw-material costs, their impact on phosphatic fertiliser cost structure, changing trade flows and growing competition from metals processing are directly affecting fertiliser production economics, pricing and affordability.

“Our partnership with Acuity Commodities is a deliberate step towards bringing these interconnected markets into one platform, one conference. Cape Town 2027 will connect the people shaping fertiliser demand with the industries increasingly shaping its supply and cost.”

“Acuity is delighted to bring its market expertise and global network to Cape Town 2027,” said Ms Freda Gordon, Director at Acuity Commodities. “Our partnership with AFRIQOM will create a unique platform for stakeholders across the fertiliser, mining and industrial sectors to discuss evolving procurement strategies for sulphur and sulphuric acid. The conference will also provide an important opportunity for global participants to gain a deeper understanding of Southern Africa, where growing demand for sulphur and sulphuric acid from the mining sector is already reshaping global trade flows. By bringing together decision-makers from interconnected industries, Cape Town 2027 will help foster the dialogue and partnerships needed to navigate an increasingly complex market environment.”

Acuity Commodities will work with AFRIQOM to develop specialist content examining the forces transforming the sulphur and sulphuric acid markets and their consequences for fertiliser production and industrial activity across Africa.

The partnership represents more than the addition of a dedicated industry session. It expands the scope of the Africa Fertiliser Conference by AFRIQOM beyond the traditional boundaries of a fertiliser event, creating new opportunities for market intelligence, commercial relationships and strategic engagement across interconnected commodity markets.

Two markets. One purpose. One conference.

The Africa Fertiliser Conference by AFRIQOM — Cape Town 2027 will take place at Cape Town’s waterfront, South Africa, from 1–3 February 2027.

About AFRIQOM

AFRIQOM is a leading authority on African fertiliser market intelligence, pricing, data and industry engagement. Through its market reports, DataBoards, advisory services and conferences, AFRIQOM provides decision-makers with independent intelligence on fertiliser prices, trade flows, procurement, supply, demand and policy developments across African markets.

AFRIQOM also convenes senior participants from across the fertiliser value chain, creating strategic platforms for market insight, commercial engagement and industry collaboration.

About Acuity Commodities

Acuity Commodities is an independent price reporting agency and consultancy specialising in sulphur, sulphuric acid and related industrial chemical markets.

The company provides independent price assessments, market analysis, trade intelligence and advisory services to producers, traders, consumers and other stakeholders active across global sulphur and sulphuric acid markets. Its Regional Briefing: Southern Africa began publishing in 2020 and is the only industry publication with a specific focus on the Southern African sulphur and sulphuric acid markets.

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