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U.S.-AFRICA BUSINESS MONTHLY ROUNDUP WITH: **FLORIZELLE LISER**

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COTE D'IVOIRE VISIT



In July, the Corporate Council on Africa (CCA) was honored to participate in a series of high-level engagements in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, reinforcing our commitment to advancing U.S.-Africa trade and investment.

CCA President and CEO Florie Liser participated in the Government Consultative Conference on Côte d'Ivoire's National Development Plan 2026-2030. They joined the U.S. delegation at the Financing Côte d'Ivoire National Development Plan Conference. During the visit, she attended a reception co-hosted by U.S. Chargé d'Affaires Junaid Munir and Ambassador of Côte d'Ivoire to the United States Ibrahima Touré, highlighting the strong partnership between our two countries.

CCA leadership, including Board Chair John Olajide, Board Member Mina Nedelcovych, and President and CEO Florie Liser, met with H.E. Robert Beugré Mambé, Prime Minister of Côte d'Ivoire, alongside U.S. Chargé d'Affaires Junaid Munir, to discuss strengthening U.S.-Côte d'Ivoire commercial relations and the possibility of Côte d'Ivoire hosting a future U.S.-Africa Business Summit.

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Blain is an accomplished accounting professional with extensive experience in full-cycle accounting, financial reporting, general ledger management, and GAAP-compliant financial operations. As Senior Accountant at Corporate Council on Africa (CCA), Blain supports financial reporting, budgeting, account reconciliation, internal controls, and day-to-day accounting while working closely with CCA leadership to ensure accurate and timely financial information.

An Ethiopian American and graduate of George Mason University with a bachelor's degree in accounting, Blain has built a career across both the corporate and nonprofit sectors. Known for accuracy, integrity, and a collaborative, solutions-oriented approach, Blain is committed to strengthening financial operations, improving processes, and supporting sound organizational decision-making... [Read more](#)

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