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THE 4TH
MKAPA LEGACY SUMMIT

**PRECEDED BY: HUMAN RESOURCE
FOR HEALTH CONFERENCE**



**Theme: From Legacy to Future:
Leadership, Health Systems, and
Youth-Led Human Capital for Africa.**



14th - 16th JULY, 2026



**Julius Nyerere International
Convention Centre (JNICC)**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Vision at a Glance



2026

For two decades, the Mkapa Foundation has been a technical hub and thought-leader, advancing innovative health system and service delivery solutions that have reached over 33 million people across 90% of Tanzania, including Zanzibar. Working through strategic partnerships and multi-pronged approaches at national and sub-national levels, BMF has deployed more than 18,000 health workers, including 10,000 Community Health Workers and over 8,000 health professionals through the Mkapa Fellows Program, alongside 1,200 training scholarships in allied health fields. The Foundation has further strengthened service delivery through the construction and renovation of more than 550 health infrastructures and by contributing to quality improvement initiatives and the co-development of national health frameworks.

As part of the commemoration, and in collaboration with the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania, BMF will advance its flagship Human Resources for Health (HRH) platform through a high-level HRH Conference and the 4th Mkapa Legacy Summit, scheduled for 14–16 July 2026 at the Julius Nyerere International Convention Centre in Dar Es Salaam- Tanzania.

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These events will bring together government leaders, development partners, global health experts, policymakers, academia, civil society, private sector stakeholders, health workers and youth innovators to advance dialogue and action on health workforce development, leadership, and sustainability

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OBJECTIVES

The main purpose is to commemorate 20 years of the Benjamin Mkapa Foundation by shaping a forward-looking agenda for strengthening Africa's health workforce through innovation, leadership, youth engagement, and system resilience. It shall have the following objectives:

- Review emerging HRH challenges and opportunities.
- Showcase BMF's contributions and President Mkapa's legacy.
- Promote youth-led innovation and leadership.
- Facilitate policy dialogue, knowledge-sharing, and partnerships.
- Advance digital transformation and resilient HRH systems.
- Mobilize sustainable financing for HRH.

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DAY 1: YOUTH AT THE CENTER : A DEDICATED YOUTH TRACK

Recognizing young people as drivers of digital innovation and HRH transformation. Four sessions will focus on:

- **Digital Health & Emerging Technologies** – Youth-led digital solutions addressing HRH gaps.
- **Youth Leadership** – Pathways for meaningful governance and leadership inclusion.
- **Workforce Resilience** – Mental health, crisis readiness, and youth-led wellbeing solutions.
- **Learning to Earning** – Transition to employment, career pathways, and digital health opportunities.

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DAY 2: PLENARY & TECHNICAL SESSIONS:

It brings together leaders, youth, professionals, partners, and community health actors to explore long-term HRH reform and Regional opportunities. Key sessions include:

- **Africa's HRH Vision 2040** – Future competencies and continental workforce strategies.
- **Workforce Resilience** – Lessons from pandemics, climate crises, and emergencies.
- **Financing HRH Transformation** – Domestic financing, innovative mechanisms, and PPPs. Community Health Workforce – Professionalization and modernization for UHC.
- **Digital HRH Systems** – AI-driven planning, interoperable systems, and large-scale digital adoption.

THE HIGH-LEVEL 4TH MKAPA LEGACY SUMMIT

16th July 2026

LEGACY

The Foundation will continue the tradition of the biennial Mkapa Legacy Forum, a platform dedicated to promoting leadership excellence, good governance, and resilience inspired by the philosophy and values of the **Late President Benjamin William Mkapa**. The Summit will distill leadership lessons for future generations and issue calls to action around key Mkapa leadership pillars, including ethical leadership, institutionbuilding, human capital development, Pan-African collaboration, and evidence-based policy reforms.

EVENT VISION

A keynote address will spotlight Leadership for Resilient Health Systems in Africa, guiding the Summit's dialogue and informing BMF's post-20-year strategic direction. The event will culminate in the **Mkapa Declaration on Leadership and Human Resources for Health**.

LEADERSHIP

The Summit will also feature the **Mkapa Leadership & Service Awards**, honoring visionary leaders, innovators, and champions advancing health development at regional, national, and sub-national levels.

The **Guest of Honor** for the final day of the Summit will be the **President of the United Republic of Tanzania, H.E. Dr. Samia Suluhu Hassan** alongside with the **President of Zanzibar and Chairman of the Revolutionary Council, H.E. Dr. Hussein A. Mwinyi**. Who also serves as the settlor of Mkapa Foundation.

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