



## Bassa Bati Mpo’o of North America (BABAMNA)

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# BABAMNA ATLANTA 2024 CONVENTION BREAKOUT SESSION MODERATOR GUIDELINES

**Catalyzing an effective dynamic of unity for a more thriving and impactful Bassa Bati  
Diaspora in North America.**

## CONVENTION MAIN THEME

**Catalyzing an effective dynamic of unity for a more thriving and impactful Bassa Bati Mpo’o  
(BBM) diaspora in North America. What does that mean in 2 years, 5 years and 10 years?**

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS OBJECTIVES

Breakout sessions will take place during the public session of the General Assembly. They allow groups of participants to have in-depth discussions on some selected areas of interest and identify the top 3 action items BABAMNA should focus on in the next 2 to 5 years to address in a meaningful way the challenges in the area. The discussions will build on thematic contributions submitted before the convention.

Each breakout session will have one or two moderators selected preferably from thematic contributors.

## AREAS OF INTEREST

*Notes: Submission of thematic contributions is still ongoing. The final list of moderators will be updated later.*

NO	AREAS OF INTEREST	MODERATORS (Pending confirmation)
1	Roadmap to the successful integration of Bassa Bati Mpo’o in North America.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Rachel Tonye</li></ul>

NO	AREAS OF INTEREST	MODERATORS (Pending confirmation)
2	The importance of learning and understanding our traditions and cultures in the context of the immigrant experience.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Valerie Wehiong Batta</li> </ul>
3	Approaches for sustainable community development. What can we learn from the examples of some Asian and other African communities? How can we leverage new technologies and other innovative solutions (solar, mobile, internet, micro-finances, ...) to move faster and better?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vincent Nkong Njock</li> </ul>
4	Pre-requisites to building effective Bassa Bati Mpo'o organizations at a national level in North America. How to promote a result-oriented, mission-driven and an inclusive mindset?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alain Nonga Ngue</li> </ul>

## FORMAT

After a brief introduction of areas of interest and session moderators, breakout sessions will take place in separate areas. Each group will present its top 3 recommendations when everybody reconvenes to the main hall.

Sessions may be live streamed on FB.

Moderators are highly encouraged to submit for publication within 30 days following the convention, an article providing more contextual information about their session recommendations.

BABAMNA will hold follow up thematic roundtables via videoconferences, to further explore some areas of interest.

Section	Content	Time	Comments
<b>Introduction</b>	Introduction of session moderators	10 minutes	
<b>Breakout sessions</b>	Discussions in separate areas under the guidance of moderators	40 minutes	Suggested session format: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brief presentation by moderators (8mn)</li> <li>Discussions (25mn)</li> <li>Work on recommendations (7mn)</li> </ul>

Section	Content	Time	Comments
<b>Recommendations</b>	After reconvening in the main hall, each group presents its top 3 recommendations.	5 minutes/group	

## DATE, TIME, LOCATION

<b>Date</b>	08/31/2024
<b>TIME</b>	10:30AM – 12:00PM
<b>Location</b>	Georgia Gwinnett College 1000 University Center Lane Lawrenceville, GA 30041

## CONTACTS

Item	Content	Additional Information
Thematic contributions and roundtable co-presidents	USA: Alain Nonga Ngué	+1 408-394-3538
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BABAMNA website	<a href="https://babamna.org">https://babamna.org</a>	
Atlanta 2024 Convention web page	<a href="https://babamna.org/babamna-grand-congres-atlanta-2024/">https://babamna.org/babamna-grand-congres-atlanta-2024/</a>	
Round table and thematic contributions web page	<a href="https://babamna.org/atlanta-2024-round-table/">https://babamna.org/atlanta-2024-round-table/</a>	
Email for presentation submission	<a href="mailto:atlanta2024@babamna.org">atlanta2024@babamna.org</a>	

## BOOK PRE-ORDER PROGRAM

BABAMNA will roll out a program to allow the public to preorder panelists and thematic contributors books in advance. The authors will dedicate their books during the convention.

Participants are encouraged to provide the following information:

- Book cover & summary
- Price in USD
- Maximum number of books that can be pre-ordered

- Any other promotional material

## TIMELINE

Date	Actions	Comments
08/05/2024 – 08/10/2024	Initial briefing of Session moderators including sharing important practical information	
08/5/2024 – 08/15/2024	Contributors who want to participate to the book pre-order program can submit information about their books: Cover, summary, price, and any other promotional material.	
08/10/2024 – 08/20/2024	BABAMNA rollout the book pre-order program	
08/20/2024 – 08/30/2024	Submission for publication of thematic contributions (articles or videos)	
08/29/2024	Publication of last thematic contributions	
08/30/2024	Final briefing of session moderators	
08/31/2024	Breakout sessions	
09/1/2024 – 09/30/2024	Submission for publication of breakout sessions full report	