



**3<sup>rd</sup> Edition**

**“The State of African Football”**

**20 April @ Women Development Centre, Agege**

**25 April @ The Gym, Agege Stadium, Agege**

**28 April @ 412 Junction, Gowon Estate, Egbeda**

**African Football Film Festival (AFFF) | Lagos, Nigeria | 20-28 April 2017**

**AFFF IN BRIEF** The first ever African Football Film Festival in Lagos was born out of the desire to combine sporting festivity with cultural and social issues that are important to many young Africans today. Unlike the football industry, a dream factory producing perfect pictures, AFFF tells true stories about opportunities, challenges and pitfalls of the “beautiful game” like the love for football, bad governance, corruption or trafficking of players.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> edition focuses on **The State of African Football**. On the one hand: Agents and officials cash in on talents, and some few stars reach to the top. On the other foot: Grassroots, amateur and professional football on the continent are behind in terms of equipment, facilities, methodology and results.

From **20 to 28 April 2017**, AFFF brings together footballers, coaches, administrators, sports journalists and the public to discuss these challenges while enjoying top-class football films and an entertaining cultural programme.

## AFFF 2017 PROGRAMME

### Day 1 – Thursday, 20 April 2017 – 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm

Venue: Women Development Centre, opp. LSDPC Estate, Pen Cinema, Agege  
 Invited: grassroots coaches, sports journalists and other stakeholders  
 Film: **(1)** The Other Kids

Discussion: How to build up African football without public infrastructure?

### Day 2 – Tuesday, 25 April 2017 – 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Venue: The Gym, Agege Stadium, Agege  
 Invited: grassroots coaches/footballers, sports administrators and journalists  
 Films: **(2)** African Legends, Part 2 + **(4)** Offside Istanbul

Discussion: What future for African footballers?

### Day 3 – Friday, 28 April 2017 – 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Venue: 412 Junction, Gowon Estate, Egbeda  
 Invited: general public (especially children and families)  
 Films: **(3)** African Legends, Part 3 + **(4)** Offside Istanbul + **(1)** The Other Kids  
 Programme: games, interviews, discussions, music and much more

## AFFF 2017 FILMS

**(1)**



**(2)**



**(3)**



**(4)**



**(1) THE OTHER KIDS** (documentary / 2016 / 82min / Dir: Pablo de la Chica)  
 Little Mubiru Reagan was abandoned by his parents in the Ugandan capital Kampala. He survives by collecting garbage and selling scrap metal, but still dreams of taking his country to the African Cup of Nations. The film shows the hardships for ambitious players in Uganda. It also features the Spanish striker Fernando Torres and national team coach Vicente del Bosque.  
 website: [theotherkids.es](http://theotherkids.es)

### **(2) + (3) AFRICAN LEGENDS, PART 2 + 3**

(features / 2016 / 25min each / Dir: Marc Friedrich + Gerhard Sonleitner)  
 The two features produced for the Bundesliga show "Kick Off" of Deutsche Welle show how former Super Eagle Sunday Oliseh and Bachirou Salou from Togo (Part 2) as well as midfield legend Jay Jay Okocha and Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang from Gabon (Part 3) have left their mark on the Bundesliga.  
 website: [dw.com](http://dw.com) + [facebook.com/dw.kickoff](https://www.facebook.com/dw.kickoff)

**(4) OFFSIDE ISTANBUL** (documentary / 2014 / 52min / Dir: Jonas Schaffter)  
 Every day, African footballers are washed ashore in the dazzling megacity of Istanbul driven by their dream to become a star. As time goes by they realise that false promises bar their way and that success may not come easy. The movie accompanies young talents in their struggle to reach to the next level and depicts their life between total frustration and unshakeable hope.  
 website: [jonasschaffter.com/film-offsideistanbul](http://jonasschaffter.com/film-offsideistanbul)



## ABOUT AFFF & PLAY!YA NIGERIA

AFFF was kicked off by PLAY!YA Nigeria in 2013 to use the passion for football for social change. The Lagos-based NGO works with sport to address issues like the neglect of poor communities, lack of public infrastructure, corruption, (un-)employment, violence, drug abuse and health. The situation in Gowon Estate (Egbeda, Lagos) is of special importance to PLAY!YA Nigeria. The neighbourhood has been ignored for many years by administration and politicians. Public infrastructure is run down, social services are extremely poor and basic needs are not met. Young people have little chances to make a living. AFFF uses public spaces to reflect on these social and economic challenges and to discuss how to improve the situation in the area and other neighbouring communities.

## AFFF PARTNERS & SUPPORTERS

PLAY!YA Nigeria is more than grateful for the unceasing efforts of all dedicated volunteers and community members in Gowon Estate – no work done without you! AFFF also owes to the filmmakers, their media companies and the following entities for their gracious support:



Nigeria's finest online news platform  
[premiumtimesng.com](http://premiumtimesng.com)



African investigative journalism at its best  
[saharareporterssport.com](http://saharareporterssport.com)



First and biggest football film festival worldwide  
[11-mm.de](http://11-mm.de)

**Visit us on the web for more information, news, updates, pictures and all the rest ...**

[facebook.com/AfricanFootballFilmFestival](https://facebook.com/AfricanFootballFilmFestival)  
[facebook.com/PLAYYANigeria](https://facebook.com/PLAYYANigeria)  
[playya.org](http://playya.org)

