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**SECOND (2nd) CONFERENCE OF THE SPECIALIZED TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
(STC) ON AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, WATER AND
ENVIRONMENT**

*‘Enhancing environmental sustainability and agricultural transformation to achieve food
and nutrition security in advancing Agenda 2063’*

**02 OCTOBER - 06 OCTOBER 2017
ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA**

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SENIOR OFFICIALS/EXPERTS AND MINISTERIAL SESSIONS

1. SENIOR OFFICIALS/EXPERTS SESSION

DAY One – 02 October 2017 2 nd STC Meeting Director - Dr. Godfrey Bahigwa			Venue
08.00-09.00	Registration of participants	Facilitator Mrs. Israel Zerom	AUC New Conference Centre Ground Floor
09.00-10.00	<u>Official Opening Ceremony</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statement – H.E. Commissioner DREA • Statement – Representative of the Host Government • Opening Statement – Chair of the Bureau for the 2015 STC 	Facilitator Dr. Godfrey Bahigwa	Medium Conference Hall
10.00-10.30	Coffee/Tea Break and Group Photo		AUC New Conference Centre Ground Floor
10.30-11.30	<u>Organizational Matters</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of the Agenda and Programme of Work • Consideration of the 2015 Report of the Specialized Technical Committee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Water and Environment • Election of Bureau 	Plenary session Facilitator Chair of the Bureau of the 2015 STC	Medium Conference Hall
<i>Presentations on issues under the STC on Agriculture Rural Development Water and Environment</i>			
Facilitator Chair of the Bureau of the 2017 STC			
11.30-13.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on Rural Economy, Agriculture and Food Security: <i>Progress Report on Implementation of the AU Declaration on Land Issues and Challenges</i> • The Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP): <i>Presentation of the Continental Biennial Review Report</i> • Framework for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization Strategy in Africa • Discussion • African Union CAADP Malabo Business Plan and the Country Agribusiness Partnership Framework 	Dr. Janet Edeme Head of Rural Economy and Acting Head of Agriculture and Food Security Division Mr. Ernest Ruzindaza CAADP Team Leader and Senior Advisor to the Commissioner Mr. Mark Kofi Fynn Mr. Ernest Ruzindaza CAADP Team Leader and Senior Advisor to the Commissioner	Medium Conference Hall

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion 		
13.30-14.30	Lunch Break		Multipurpose Hall
<p><i>Presentations on Livestock Related Issues</i></p> <p>Facilitator Chair of the Bureau</p>			
14.30-17.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pan-African Strategy for the Control and Eradication of Pests and Small Ruminants 	Prof Ahmed El Sawalhy (Director AU-IBAR) and Representatives of AU-IBAR	Medium Conference Hall
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pan-African Programme for the Control and Eradication of Pests and Small Ruminants: 2017 – 2021 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal Welfare Strategy in Africa (AWSA) 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the Recommendations of the 34th Conference of the International Scientific Council for Trypanosomiasis Research and Control (ISCTRC) 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion 		
<p><i>Presentations on Environment, Natural Resources, Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR)</i></p> <p>Facilitator Chair of the Bureau</p>			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the Sixth Special Session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment (AMCEN) Cairo, Egypt, 16-19 April 2016 	Egypt	Medium Conference Hall
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of the Sixteenth Regular Session of the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment (AMCEN) Libreville, Gabon, 12 – 16 June 2017 	Gabon	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on the Common African Position to the 2017 Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction 22 – 26 May, Cancun, Mexico 	Mr. Gatkuoth Kai Bol	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion 		

DAY Two – 03 October 2017			Venue
<i>Presentations Agriculture Related Issues</i>			
Facilitator Chair of the Bureau			
09.00 – 10.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summary Continental Geographic Indications Strategy for Africa 	Ms. Diana Akullo	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges of commodity value chain development towards improving the competitiveness of agricultural commodity in Africa 	Dr. Agbonlahor Mure Uhunamure	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prioritizing Food Safety in Africa 	Ms. Diana Akullo	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion 	Facilitator Chair of the Bureau	
10:00 -10:30	Coffee/Tea break		AUC New Conference Centre Ground Floor
<i>Presentations on Wild Flora and Fauna, Climate Change, Meteorology and Desertification</i>			
Facilitator Chair of the Bureau			
10:30-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report of the 1st Experts Group Meeting on the Implementation of the African Strategy on Combatting Illegal Exploitation and Illegal Trade In Wild Fauna and Flora in Africa 	Ms. Leah Wanambwa	Medium Conference Hall
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report of the Meeting of the CAHOSCC Gender And Youth Programme on Climate Change 	Ms. Olushola Olayide	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion 		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthening the role of science and technology approaches in combating desertification in Africa 	Mr. Koutou Mamadou	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion 	Facilitator Chair of the Bureau	
12.30-14.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lunch break 		Multipurpose Hall
14.00-15.30	Open session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Side Event on Fall Army Worm in Africa 	Facilitator Dr. Abebe Haile Gabriel - FAO	Medium Conference Hall
15:30-16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coffee/Tea Break 		AUC New Building Ground Floor
16:00-17:00	Plenary Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation and consideration of the deliberations on Fall Army Worm in Africa 	Facilitator Chair of the Bureau	Medium Conference Hall

DAY Three - 04 October 2017			
09:00-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drafting of Experts Report 	Facilitator Rapporteur of the Bureau	Small Conference 3
12:30-14:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lunch Break 		Multipurpose Hall
14:00-15.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drafting of Experts Report 		Small Conference 3
15:30-16.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coffee/Tea Break 		AUC New Conference Centre Ground Floor
16.00-17:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation and Adoption of the Draft Experts Report 	Facilitator Rapporteur of the Bureau	Medium Conference Hall

2. MINISTERIAL SESSION (05 - 06 OCTOBER 2017)

DAY Four – 05 October 2017			Venue
08.00-09.00	Registration of participants	Responsible Mrs. Israel Zerom	AUC New Conference Centre Ground Floor
09.00-10.00	<u>Official opening ceremony</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome – H.E. Commissioner DREA Statement – Representative of the Host Government Official opening – Chair of the Bureau of the 2015 STC 	Plenary session Facilitator Dr. Godfrey Bahiigwa	Medium Conference Hall
10.00-10.30	Coffee/Tea break and Group Photo		AUC New Conference Centre Ground Floor
10.30-11.00	<u>Organizational matters</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Election of Bureau Adoption of the Agenda and Programme of Work 	Plenary session Facilitator Chair of the Bureau of the 2015 STC	Medium Conference Hall
11.00-13.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statements from Member States 	Plenary Session Facilitator Chair of the Bureau of the 2017 STC	Medium Conference Hall
13:00-14.30	Lunch break		Multipurpose Hall
14.30-17.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation of Experts Report for consideration by the Ministers. 	Plenary session Facilitator Chair of the Bureau	Medium Conference Hall

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion 		Medium Conference Hall
1800-2100	Cocktail <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of findings of studies to determine base lines for tracking progress towards Malabo Targets by 2025 - FARA • Launch of the African Land Policy Center – AUC DREA and UNECA 	Facilitator Mrs. Eva Chanya Clinton	Multipurpose Hall
DAY Five – 06 October 2017			
09.00-10.00	Drafting of Ministerial Report	Facilitator Rapporteur of the Bureau	Small Conference 3
10:00-10:30	Coffee/Tea break		AUC New Conference Centre Ground Floor
10:30-12:30	Drafting of Ministerial Report	Facilitator Rapporteur of the Bureau	Small Conference 3
12.30-14.00	Lunch Break		Multipurpose Hall
16.00-17.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation and Adoption of Ministers Report • Closure of the Second Specialized Technical Committee for Agriculture, Rural Development, Water and Environment 	Plenary session Facilitator Chair of the Bureau	Medium Conference Hall