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**Orientation and Induction Meeting for Newly Elected members of the 2nd
Permanent ECOSOCC General Assembly**

INVITATION TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEDIA

What: Orientation and Induction Meeting for Newly Elected members of the
2nd Permanent ECOSOCC General Assembly

The opening ceremony will feature the following:

- Welcome Statement by Director CIDO and Head of ECOSOCC Secretariat (11:00-11:10)
- Statement by Amb Lazarous Kapambwe, Advisor to the AUC Chairperson and Chairperson of ECOSOCC IDC (11:10-11:20)
- Keynote Address by Mr. Joseph Chilengi, ECOSOCC Presiding Officer (11:20-11:40)
- Opening Address by Representative of the Egyptian Government (11:40-11:55)

When: 26 February - 1 March 2015

Where: Cairo, Egypt (Hotel Nile Fairmont)

Objectives: National, Regional and Continental Consultations for ECOSOCC Internal Elections and Orientation Exercises including: The Constitutive Act, AU Organs and Structure, the Economic, Social and Cultural Council of the African Union (ECOSOCC); A people-centred Union: the CSO Agenda in the framework of the AU as well as the Agenda 2063 and the AUC Strategic Plan 2014-2017; the Theme of the 2015 Summit: Year of Women Empowerment toward Agenda 2063 and the Role of ECOSOCC.

The meeting will also discuss the NEPAD in the African Union; APSA and AU Policy Frameworks including the AU Communication Strategy and the Role of Media and CSOs in advancing the Development Agenda, the African Governance Architecture; the Election Observation

and Monitoring Processes; the Comprehensive African Agricultural Development Policy (CAADP) and the Program for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA)

The meeting intends as well to present the AU Rules and Regulations comprising the Structure of AU Commission and Administrative Rules and Regulations of the African Union; the Financial Rules and Regulations of the African Union and the Role of CIDO as ECOSOCC Secretariat

Media representatives are invited to cover the meeting. (Programme of work attached)

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DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME

Day One: Thursday 26 February 2015

09:00-11:00 ECOSOCC Bureau Meeting

Plenary Session I: Official Opening

11:00-11:10 Welcome Statement by Director CIDO and Head of ECOSOCC Secretariat

11:10-11:20 Statement by Amb. Lazarous Kapambwe, Advisor to the AUC Chairperson and Chairperson of ECOSOCC IDC

11:20-11:40 Keynote Address by Mr. Joseph Chilengi, ECOSOCC Presiding Officer

11:40-11:55 Opening Address by Representative of the Egyptian Government

Plenary Session II: National, Regional and Continental Consultations for ECOSOCC Internal Elections

11:55-13:30 Pre-Election Consultations at National, Regional and Continental levels

13:30-14:30 Lunch Break

Plenary Session III: Elections

14:30-16:00 Elections of the Credentials Committee

16:00-18:00 Elections of Clusters Chairperson and Members of the Standing Committee

18:00-18:30 Administration of Oath of Office for new Office holders – OLC

15:00-17:00 * Sensitization Meeting with Egyptian Civil Society Organizations on ECOSOCC, Summit Outcomes, AU Program and Activities (Side Event to be held concurrently)

Day Two: Friday 27 February 2015

Plenary Session IV: Orientation Exercise

09:30-09:45.	The Constitutive Act, AU Organs and Structure – OLC
09:45-10:00.	The Economic, Social and Cultural Council of the African Union (ECOSOCC) - CIDO Director
10:00-10:15.	A people-centred Union: the CSO Agenda in the framework of the AU – CIDO
10:15-11:15	Discussion and Recommendations

11:15-11:45 Tea/Coffee Break

Plenary Session V: The Development Agenda

11:45-12:05	Agenda 2063 and the AUC Strategic Plan 2014-2017 (Strategic Planning)
12:05-12:20	Theme of the 2015 Summit: Year of Women Empowerment toward Agenda 2063 – Gender
12:20-12:30	Exploring the Role of ECOSOCC.
12:30-13:30	Discussion and Recommendations

13:30-15:00 Lunch Break

Plenary Session VI: Development Agenda Continued

15:00-15:20	NEPAD in the African Union
15:20-15:40	APSA (PSD)
15:40-17:00	Discussion and Recommendations

Day Three: Saturday 28 February 2015

Plenary Session VII: AU Policy Frameworks

09:30-09:50	AU Communication Strategy and the Role of Media and CSOs in advancing the Development Agenda, Director, DIC
09:50-10:20	Discussion and Recommendations
10:20-10:40	The African Governance Architecture and AU Election Observation and Monitoring Processes – Political Affairs
10:40-11:10	Discussion and Recommendations

11:10-11:30 Tea/Coffee Break

11:30-11:50	The Comprehensive African Agricultural Development Policy (CAADP)
11:50-12:20	Discussion and Recommendations
12:20-12:40	Program for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA)

12:40-13:00 Discussion and Recommendations

13:00-14:30 Lunch Break

Plenary Session VIII: AU Rules and Regulations

14:30-14:50 Structure of AU Commission and Administrative Rules and Regulations of the African Union – AHRM
14:50-15:50 Discussion and Recommendations
15:50-16:10 Financial Rules and Regulations of the African Union – PBFA
16:10-16:40 Discussion and Recommendations
16:40-16:50 Role of CIDO as ECOSOCC Secretariat – CIDO
16:50-17:20 Discussion and Recommendations

Day Four: Sunday 1st March 2015

Plenary Session IX: General Assembly Session

09:00-09:30 Presentation of Draft Rules and Procedures of the General Assembly - OLC
09:30-13:00 Consideration, Review and/or Adoption of Draft Rules of Procedure

13:00-14:30 Lunch Break

Plenary Session X: General Assembly Session for Presentation and Adoption of Report

16:30-16:40 Presentation of Draft Report
16:40-17:00 Review, Consideration and Adoption of Report
17:00-17:45 Closing Ceremony