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Specialised Technical Committee on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE).

What: The 5th Specialised Technical Committee on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE) held on the theme, "Scaling up actions on commitments to equality and women's rights."

When: 27th November 2020.

Where: The Opening session of the Ministerial STC will be broadcast live on Livestream-<u>https://livestream.com/accounts/2466140/events/9418463</u>

Who: Convened by the African Union Commission Directorate of Women, Gender and Development, the meeting will bring together African Union Ministers in charge of Gender and Women's Affairs and their Experts. Other participants including among others, RECS, AU Organs and Specialized Agencies

Background

The Specialised Technical Committee on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE) is a Ministerial gathering mandated to advance gender equality and women's empowerment in Africa. The STC leads, among other things, the formulation of decisions, policies and African Common Positions; advocacy for the ratification, implementation and domestication of the African Union legal and policy instruments; advocacy at national, continental and global levels; fund raising in support of the African Union's gender agenda; advocacy for the protection, promotion and respect of women's human rights; and promotion of sharing and learning of best practices among Member States. The Ministers will prioritize statutory matters as well as urgent and important AU Gender Agenda issues that require Ministerial consideration, adoption and decisions.

For more information, visit <u>https://au.int/en/newsevents/20201123/5th-specialised-technical-committee-gender-equality-and-womens-empowerment-gewe</u>

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