

Division of Policy, Health Diplomacy and Communication

MEDIA ADVISORY

Africa CDC Weekly Press Briefing on the response to Public Health Emergencies in Africa

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OVERVIEW: This briefing which commenced in 2020 is a channel through which the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) has engaged with the media on a weekly basis, to share critical updates on the state of the COVID-19 pandemic response and other public health emergencies in Africa.

Thursday's briefing will provide the regular updates on the current situation of the COVID-19 pandemic response, the recent Marburg virus disease outbreak in Equatorial Guinea, and other health emergencies happening across the continent. The Director will also make mention of specific side-events and other activities being hosted by Africa CDC on the margins of the ongoing AU summit.

SPEAKERS: Dr Ahmed Ogwel OUMA, Ag. Director, Africa CDC

WHEN: Thursday, 16th February 2023

TIME: 12:00 – 1:00pm East Africa Time (09:00 – 10:00am GMT)

WHERE: via zoom: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_OPNO3ybLSUCqHo-wCYv2IQ

MODERATOR: Mrs. Wynne Musabayana, Head of Communication, AUC

LAUNGUAGES: The briefing will be available in **English** and **French** through interpretation.

Media Q&A: Journalists may submit questions to Africa CDC during the briefing by sending their **full name** and the **name of their media organization** to WhatsApp at **+251 94 550 2310**. Journalists can also ask questions live through Zoom.

You can also follow the briefing using the links below:

Africa CDC Live stream: https://re_175530_event01f3482cd4ff4f5b871e6fcc25425978

Live stream (AUC): <https://livestream.com/africanunion/events/9033858>



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About Africa CDC

The Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) is a continental autonomous Public Health agency of the African Union which supports Member States in their efforts to strengthen health systems and improve surveillance, emergency response, prevention and control of diseases.

Learn more at: <http://www.africacdc.org>

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