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Media Advisory

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Venue: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

INVITATION TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEDIA

AFRICA IN CONVERSATION SERIES

Theme: “Accountability and Justice for Democratic Resilience in Africa”

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When: Thursday, 05 June 2025

Time: 9H00am

Where: UNDP Regional Service Centre for Africa Fiesta Building, Meskel Flower Road, Addis Ababa.

https://undp.zoom.us/meeting/register/tC2wRFQsTz-hpjct_cGCw

Registration should be done in advance. After registration, a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting is sent to the participant.

Why:

The African Union's 2025 theme, “*Justice for Africans and People of African Descent through Reparations*,” highlights the need for redress for historical injustices and the importance of robust continental accountability systems. The event will assess and advocate for the ratification and implementation of key AU instruments, such as the [Protocol on Amendments to the Protocol of the Statute of the African Court of Justice and Human Rights \(Malabo Protocol\)](#) and the [AU Transitional Justice Policy](#), which aim to address crimes like genocide, corruption, and unconstitutional governance changes.

Objectives:

1. Assess the effectiveness of Africa's accountability and justice mechanisms.
2. Recommend measures to strengthen the ratification and implementation of key AU legal instruments on accountability and justice in Africa.
3. Provide a platform for multi-stakeholder dialogue and advocacy around transitional justice and accountability.

Expected Outcomes:

1. Concrete advocacy strategies for ratifying and implementing AU accountability and justice instruments.
2. Increased awareness of Africa's accountability and transitional justice frameworks.

Participants:

1. African Union Commission.
2. Senior Officials of Regional Economic Communities (RECs).
3. Senior Officials of AU Member States.
4. Diplomatic Community.
5. UN Agencies.
6. Civil Society Organizations.
7. Academia and Think Tanks.

The Concept Note and Agenda are attached

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