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**DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME  
OF THE EXPERTS' SESSION**

**02 – 04 SEPTEMBER 2012**

<b>DRAFT WORK PROGRAM OF THE EXPERTS' SESSION</b>	
<b>DAY 1: SUNDAY 02 SEPTEMBER 2012</b>	
<b>08:00 – 09:00</b>	<b>REGISTRATION</b>
<b>09:00 - 09:30</b>	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remarks by the Representative of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)</li> <li>• Remarks by the Representative of the African Union Commission (AUC)</li> <li>• Opening Remarks by Sudan</li> </ul>
<b>09:30 – 09:40</b>	<b>Procedural Matters</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adoption of Agenda and Work Programme</li> <li>• Overview of the proceeding and format of the Experts session</li> </ul>
<b>09:40 - 10:00</b>	<b>Report of the Outgoing Bureau</b>
<b>10:00 – 10:15</b>	<b>Tea/Coffee Break/Group Picture</b>
<b>10:15 – 11:30</b>	<b>Session 1: African Union Commission Report</b>
	<b>Presentations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infrastructure and Energy Department Report; AUC</li> <li>• NEPAD Planning and Coordinating Agency Report, NPCA</li> </ul> <b>Discussions</b>
<b>11:30 – 13:45</b>	<b>Session 2: Harmonization of Policies and Regulations</b>
	<b>Presentations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Postal Sector</li> <li>• Analogue to Digital Transition</li> <li>• Consolidation of AU Frameworks Documents on CIT Sector (ARAPKE, Reference Framework for harmonization, etc.)</li> <li>• Open Access</li> <li>• African Union Convention on Cyber Security;</li> </ul> <b>Discussions</b>
<b>13:45 - 15:00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<b>15:00 – 16:20</b>	<b>Session 3: Update on the Continental/Regional Programmes &amp; Activities</b>
	<b>Presentations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regional Economic Communities (RECs)</li> <li>• United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)</li> <li>• African Telecommunication Union (ATU);</li> <li>• Pan African Postal Union (PAPU);</li> <li>• African Development Bank (AfDB);</li> </ul> <b>Discussions</b>
<b>16:20– 16:45</b>	<b>Coffee/Tea break</b>
<b>16:45 – 18:00</b>	<b>Session 4: Master Plans</b>
	<b>Presentations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Programme of Infrastructure Development for Africa (PIDA);</li> <li>• Postal Sector Development Action Plan and Studies</li> </ul> <b>Discussions</b>
<b>18:00</b>	<b>End of the First Day</b>

**DAY 2 : MONDAY 03 SEPTEMBER 2012**

<b>09:00 – 11:00</b>	<b>Session 5: Internet Issues</b>
	<b>Presentations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• DotAfrica;</li><li>• IPv4-IPv6 Migration</li><li>• African Internet Governance Forum (AFIGF)</li></ul> <b>Discussions</b>
<b>11:00 – 11:15</b>	<b>Coffee/Tea break</b>
<b>11:15 – 13:45</b>	<b>Session 6: Specific Projects</b>
	<b>Presentations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• e-Transform Africa</li><li>• The Pan African e-Network (PAeN);</li><li>• African Leadership Program in ICT (ALICT);</li><li>• Orbital spectrum/resources for RASCOM</li><li>• Internet Exchange Systems (AXIS);</li><li>• The feasibility study report for the creation of an African Space Agency (AfriSpace)</li></ul> <b>Discussions</b>
<b>13:45 - 15:00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<b>15:00 – 16:30</b>	<b>Session 7: Governance of Communication and Information Technology (CIT)</b>
	<b>Presentations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Draft Rules and Procedures of CITMC Bureau</li><li>• CIT Sector Programmes Coordination Mechanism</li><li>• African Information and Communication Technologies' Week</li><li>• Proposition of an AU Periodic CIT Forum</li></ul> <b>Discussions</b>
<b>16:30 – 16:45</b>	<b>Any Other Business (AOB)</b>
<b>16:45</b>	<b>End of the Second Day</b>

**DAY 3: TUESDAY 04 SEPTEMBER 2012**

<b>09:00-13:30</b>	<b>Special Session:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Experts Session on “The Internet” in collaboration with ISOC</li><li>• Preparation, translation and reproduction of documents</li></ul>
<b>13:30 - 15:00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>
<b>15:00 – 15:30</b>	<b>Item VI of the Agenda: Consideration and Adoption of Documents to be submitted to the Ministerial Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Report of the Experts Session;</li><li>• Draft Ministerial Declaration;</li><li>• Draft Agenda and Work Program of the Ministerial Session</li></ul> <b>Discussions</b>
<b>15:30 – 15:45:</b>	<b>Coffee/Tea break</b>
<b>15:45 – 17:15</b>	<b>Discussions (Cont.)</b>
<b>17:15</b>	<b>Item VII of the Agenda: : Closing of the Experts’ Session</b>