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**AUC AND PARTNERS IN PREPARATORY MEETINGS FOR CONFERENCE OF ENERGY MINISTERS OF AFRICA**



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In the framework of the preparations for the Second All Africa Energy Week, the Conference of Energy Ministers of Africa (CEMA) and the Pan African Energy Investment Forum to be held from 12 to 16 November 2012 in Addis Ababa, the African Union Commission's Department of Infrastructure and Energy is holding two days of preparatory meetings, from 13 to 14 September. The meeting, being held

at the AU headquarters in Addis Ababa, is considering the CEMA work programme, documents, budget, administrative and organizational matters as well as a communication strategy.

Speaking as he kicked off the meeting today on behalf of the Commissioner of Infrastructure and Energy, the Department's Director Dr Aboubakari Baba Moussa reiterated the high priority position that energy provision occupies in Africa's efforts to develop and integrate.

Participants to the preparatory meeting include representatives of the AUC, the African Development Bank, the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa and the European Union

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