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Economic Commission for Africa Committee of Experts Thirty-sixth meeting African Union Committee of Experts Third meeting

Tenth Joint Annual Meetings of the African Union Specialized Technical Committee on Finance, Monetary Affairs, Economic Planning and Integration and the Economic Commission for Africa Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development

Meeting of the Committees of Experts

Dakar, 23-25 March 2017

Provisional programme of work – DRAFT

Thursday, 23 March

9-9.30 a.m. **Opening of the meeting** (agenda item 1)

Chair: Chair of the outgoing Bureau of the Committees of Experts

Statements:

 Chair of the outgoing Bureau of the Committees of Experts

• Representative of the African Union Commission

• Representative of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)

Representative of the Government of Senegal

9.30-9.45 a.m. Election of the Bureau and adoption of the agenda and programme of work (agenda item 2)

9.45-11.15 a.m. Session I: Overview of recent economic and social

developments in Africa (agenda item 3)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the Committees of

Experts

Presentation: ECA General discussion

11.15-11.30 a.m. Coffee break

11.30 a.m.-1 p.m. Session II: Assessment of progress on regional

integration in Africa (agenda item 4)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the Committees of

Experts

Presentation: Dr. Rene Kouassi, Director, African

Union Commission

General discussion

1-2 p.m. Lunch break

2-3.30 p.m. Session III: Statistical development in Africa:

achievements, challenges and perspectives (agenda

item 5)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the Committees of

Experts

Presentation: African Union Commission

General discussion

3.30-5 p.m. Session IV: Presentation on the theme of the tenth

Joint Annual Meetings: "Growth, inequality and

unemployment" (agenda item 6)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the Committees of

Experts

Presentations

Issues paper on the theme of the tenth Joint Annual

Meetings

General discussion

5-5.15 p.m. Coffee break

5.15-7 p.m. **Session IV (continued)**

General discussion

7 p.m. Reception

Friday, 24 March

9.30-11.30 a.m. Session V: Statutory issues of the Economic Commission for Africa (agenda item 7)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the Committees of Experts

The following statutory issues will be considered:

- Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of the Economic Commission for Africa (covering the period April 2016 to March 2017)
- Report on Follow-up to the resolutions of the ninth Joint Annual Meetings
- Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019
- Review of the intergovernmental structure of the Economic Commission for Africa pursuant to resolution 943(XLIX)

• Report on the fifth session of the Committee on Statistics

General discussion

11.30-11.45 a.m.

Coffee break

11.45 a.m.-1.45 p.m.

Session V (continued)

- Progress report on the work of the African Institute for Economic Development and Planning
- Update on the proposed revision of the revised statutes of the African Institute for Economic Development and Planning
- Report on United Nations support for the African Union and its New Partnership for Africa's Development programme
- Report on the second session of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development
- Progress in the implementation of the priority areas of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020

General discussion

1.45-2.45 p.m.

Lunch break

2.45-4.45 p.m.

Session VI: Statutory issues of the African Union Commission (agenda item 8)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the Committees of Experts

Presentations: Department of Economic Affairs, African Union Commission

The following statutory issues will be considered:

- Pan-African Investment Code
- African Inclusive Markets Centre of Excellence
- Revised Pan-African Stock Exchange
- Statute of the African Institute for Remittances
- Commodities strategy

General discussion

4.45-5 p.m.

Coffee break

5-7 p.m.

Session VI (continued)

- Continental Free Trade Area
- Productivity issues in Africa
- Report of the annual meeting of directors general of national statistics offices in Africa
- Agenda 2063: implementation report validation, monitoring and evaluation framework and domestic resource mobilization strategy
- Harnessing the demographic dividend through investment in children

• Report of the eighth meeting of the African Union Subcommittee of Directors General of Customs

7-7.15 p.m. Date, venue and theme of the eleventh Joint Annual

Meetings (agenda item 9)

7.15-7.45 p.m. Other matters (agenda item 10)

Saturday, 25 March

9 a.m.-4 p.m. Drafting of the report on the meeting of the

Committees of Experts

4-6 p.m. Session VII: Consideration and adoption of the

draft report on the meeting of the Committees of Experts; consideration of recommendations and

draft resolutions (agenda item 11)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the Committees of

Experts

Presentation of the draft report by the Rapporteur of

the Bureau of the Committees of Experts

6-6.30 p.m. Closing of the meeting (agenda item 12)

Chair: Chair of the Bureau of the Committees of

Experts

Statements:

• Representative of the African Union Commission

Representative of ECA

• Chair of the Bureau