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## Media Advisory

### Africa Day Celebrations

- What:** Celebration of Africa Day  
Highlights for media will include:  
Activities in the plenary hall  
African bazaar
- When:** 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017, starting at 9:30 a.m.
- Where:** Plenary Hall, Old Conference Centre at the African Union Commission, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
- Why** Africa Day acknowledges the successes of the OAU in the fight against colonialism and apartheid, as well as the progress that Africa has made, while reflecting upon the common challenges we face in a global environment.
- Who:** The event is hosted by the African Union Commission Participants will include
- AU Member States;
  - AU Commission Staff;
  - All institutions represented in AUC;
  - Partners : Non-African Countries and International Organizations;
  - Civil Societies representing Youth and Gender;
  - Civil Society Organizations;
  - Students from International schools

### Background:

Africa Day celebrates the day when the Organisation of African Unity (OAU), the precursor to the African Union (AU), was formed in 1963.

***Media representatives are invited to take part in and cover the celebrations. The full programme for the day will be circulated soon.***

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