



**4<sup>th</sup> Forum of the African Union on International Law and African Union Law**  
**“The challenges of ratification and implementation of treaties in Africa”**  
**19 – 20 October 2015 – Cairo, Egypt**

**PROGRAMME**

**CHAIRPERSON: Mr. Ebenezer Appreku**

**GENERAL RAPPORTEUR: Pr. Hajer Gueldich**

**Time**

**Activity**

**DAY 1**

**9:00 - 10:00**

**Registration**

**Opening Ceremony – Master of Ceremony: Mr. Mourad BEN DHIAB, Secretary to AUCIL**

**10.00 – 10.45**

**Welcome Remarks and Opening of Session:**

- 1.** Opening Remarks by Chairperson of the 4<sup>th</sup> Forum, **Mr Ebenezer Appreku**
- 2.** Welcome Statement by the Minister of Justice of Egypt, **H.E. Ahmed El-Zend,**
- 3.** Statement by the Chairperson of AUCIL, **Pr. Daniel Makiesse Mwanawanzambi,**
- 4.** Statement by the Representative of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Egypt, **Amb. Amgad Abdel Ghaffar,**  
Assistant Minister for African Communities
- 5.** Statement by the Legal Counsel of the African Union, **Prof. Vincent O. Nmehielle,**

**The Minister of Justice of Egypt declares the 4<sup>th</sup> AUCIL Forum opened.**

10.45 – 11.00	Coffee/Tea Break	
11.00 – 13.00	Session 1	Moderator
11.00 – 11.40	<p><b><u>Topic I :</u></b></p> <p>The Law of Treaties and the technical notions of signature, accession, adoption, ratification, application, implementation, entry into force of international treaties</p> <p><b>Dr. Kwadwo Appiagyei-Atua</b>, University of Ghana,</p> <p><b>1. Presentation (15 minutes)</b></p> <p><b>2. Debate (25 minutes)</b></p>	<p><b>Prof. Boniface Obinna OKERE</b></p>
11.40 – 12.20	<p><b><u>Topic II :</u></b></p> <p>Hierarchy of sources in International Law, dualism, monism of the internal legal order</p> <p><b>Dr Tehindrazanarivelo Djacoba</b> Professor at Boston University Study Abroad Geneva</p> <p><b>1. Presentation (15 minutes)</b></p> <p><b>2. Debate (25 minutes)</b></p>	
12.20 – 13.00	<p><b><u>Topic III:</u></b></p> <p>The problem of reservations and revision of treaties</p> <p><b>Pr. Stéphane Doumbé-Billé</b> Centre du Droit International, Universite Lyon 3, France</p> <p><b>1. Presentation (15 minutes)</b></p> <p><b>2. Debate (25 minutes)</b></p>	

13.00 – 14.00	Lunch	
14.00 – 16.00	Session 2	Moderator
14.00 – 14.40	<p><b><u>Topic IV:</u></b></p> <p>Widely ratified instruments ( on Peace and Security, Human Rights protection, trade, free trade zone, economic integration)</p> <p><b>Mr Donald Deya</b>, Secretary General, Pan African Lawyers Union (PALU), Arusha, Tanzania</p> <p>1. <b>Presentation</b> (15 minutes)</p> <p>2. <b>Debate</b> (25 minutes)</p>	Prof. Sebastião da Silva ISATA
14.40 – 15.20	<p><b><u>Topic V :</u></b></p> <p>African instruments not yet ratified or not yet entered into force, obstacles and impediments (Democracy, fight against terrorism, legal cooperation, International Criminal Justice, International Humanitarian law, Human Rights protection, protection of the environment, health, etc.)</p> <p><b>Dr. Ghislain Patrick LESSENE</b>, former member of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights, Co-founder of the Center of African Legal Studies, Geneva, Switzerland</p> <p>1. <b>Presentation</b> (15 minutes)</p> <p>2. <b>Debate</b> (25 minutes)</p>	

15.20 – 16.00	<p><b><u>Topic VI:</u></b> Measures to accelerate ratification of treaties and their implementation <b>Prof. Ayman Salama</b>, Expert of International Law Egypt</p> <p>1. <b>Presentation</b> (15 minutes) 2. <b>Debate</b> (25 minutes)</p>	<b>Prof. Sebastião da Silva ISATA</b>
<b>16.00 – 16.15</b>	<b>Coffee/Tea Break</b>	
<b>16.15 – 17.15</b>	<b>Session 3</b>	<b>Moderator</b>
16.15 – 16.55	<p><b><u>Topic VII:</u></b> Process for the establishment of imperative obligations for Governments, what sanctions? <b>Dr. Yitiha Marion Zinazile Simbeye</b> The Open University of Tanzania.</p> <p>1. <b>Presentation</b> (15 minutes) 2. <b>Debate</b> (25 minutes)</p>	<b>Prof. Sebastião da Silva ISATA</b>
16.55 – 17.35	<p><b><u>Topic VIII:</u></b> The Cooperation between the United Nations International Law Commission and the African Union Commission on International Law <b>Amb. Hassouna Hussein</b> Member of the United Nations International Law Commission</p> <p>1. <b>Presentation</b> (15 minutes) 2. <b>Debate</b> (25 minutes)</p>	

DAY 2		
9.00– 10.30	Session 4	Moderator
9.00 – 9.40	<p><b><u>Topic IX:</u></b></p> <p>Ratification and implementation of treaties from the civil society perspective Ms. <b>Caroline Ageng'o</b> Equality Now/SOAWR Coalition</p> <p><b>1. Presentation (15 minutes)</b> <b>2. Debate (25 minutes)</b></p>	<b>Amb. Juliet Semambo KALEMA</b>
9.40 – 10.20	<p><b><u>Topic X:</u></b></p> <p>Measures for addressing challenges of ratification and implementation of treaties <b>Dr. Solomon Dersso</b> Commissioner elected African Commission on human and People's Rights Ethiopia</p> <p><b>1. Presentation (15 minutes)</b> <b>2. Debate (25 minutes)</b></p>	

10.20 – 11.00	<b><u>Topic XI:</u></b> International Criminal Justice: State Sovereignty and complementarity <b>Mr. Amady Ba</b> Head of the International Cooperation at the Office – International Criminal Court (ICC)  1. <b>Presentation</b> <b>(15 minutes)</b> 2. <b>Debate</b> <b>(25 minutes)</b>	<b>Amb. Juliet Semambo KALEMA,</b>
<b>11.00 – 11.15</b>	<b>Coffee/Tea Break</b>	
<b>11.15 – 13.15</b>	<b>Session 5: Experience of international Organisations</b>	<b>Moderator</b>
11.15 – 11.55	Presentation by the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organisation <b>Pr. Rahmat Mohamat, Secretary General</b>  1. <b>Presentation</b> <b>(15 minutes)</b> 2. <b>Debate</b> <b>(25 minutes)</b>	<b>Justice Naceesay SALLA-WADDA</b>
11.55 – 12.35	Presentation by the Inter-American Juridical Committee, Organisation of the American States <b>Hernan Salinas</b>  1. <b>Presentation</b> <b>(15 minutes)</b> 2. <b>Debate</b> <b>(25 minutes)</b>	

12.35 – 13.15	Presentation by the Francophonie <b>Mr. Michel Carrié</b>  1. Presentation (15 minutes) 2. Debate (25minutes)	<b>Justice Naceesay SALLA-WADDA</b>
13.15 – 15.00	<b>Lunch</b>	
15.00 – 16.30	<b>Closing Ceremony</b>	
15.00 – 15.30	<b>Presentation and adoption of the proceedings (Conclusions, Recommendations) of the 4<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Forum</b>	
15.30 – 16.30	<b>Closing remarks by the representative of the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt</b>  <b>Closing remarks by the Chairperson of 4<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Forum</b>	