

**DRAFT PROGRAMME
CELEBRATION OF AFRICA DAY, May 25th**

**THEME: “Harnessing the Demographic Dividend through
Investments in Youth”**

Date: 25 May 2017

Venue: Plenary Hall – Old Conference Centre

Time	Event
09:30 – 09:45	Arrival of Invitees. They proceed to the Plenary Hall and take their respective seats
09:45 – 09:50	Arrival of AU Commissioners
09:50 – 09:55	Arrival of H.E. Mr. Kwesi Quartey, Deputy Chairperson, African Union Commission and H.E. Mme. Fatoumata Kaba Sidibé, Ambassador of the Republic of Guinea and Chairperson of the Permanent Representatives' Committee of the African Union
09:55 - 10:00	AU Anthem – by AUC Choir
10:00 – 10:20	Africa Day Messages: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Message of the Chairperson of the Commission on Africa Day, delivered by H.E. Mr. Kwesi Quartey, Deputy Chairperson of the AU Commission Message of the Chairperson of the African Union on Africa Day, delivered by H.E. Mme. Fatoumata Kaba Sidibé, Ambassador of the Republic of Guinea and Chairperson of the Permanent Representatives' Committee of the African Union
10:20-10:30	Narration ‘African History in the quest for Unity’ Ambassador Jean Mfasoni, Chief of Staff - Office of the Chairperson
10:30 – 10:40	Video: ‘Harnessing the Demographic Dividend’
10:40 – 10:50	Presentation of the theme of the year H.E. Dr Martial de-Paul Ikounga, Ag. Commissioner for Human Resources Science & Technology (HRST)
10:50 – 11:05	Word Play Performance on the 4 pillars of the Demographic Dividend <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employment & Entrepreneurship (Rutendo, EN) Health and Wellbeing (Trinite, FR) Education & Skills Development (Marrie, EN) Governance & Youth Civic Engagement (Sara, AR)
11:05 – 11:50	Panel Respondents on the 4 Pillars of the Demographic Dividend <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education & Skills Development (Prof. Kassa Belay, PAU) Employment & Entrepreneurship (Dr. Olawale Maiyegun, AUC) Health and wellbeing (Dr. Dairo Akinyele, UNFPA) Governance & Youth Civic (Mr. Mansour Ndiaye, UNDP)
11:50 – 12:20	Public Discussion

Activities: Area of the Commercial Bank AU Branch.

- African Lunch: 12:20 – 14:00
- African Bazaar : 13:00-17:00
- African Musical Concert : 17:00-19:00
- Sports, TBC